



Compositional Probabilistic Model Checking with String Diagrams of MDPs

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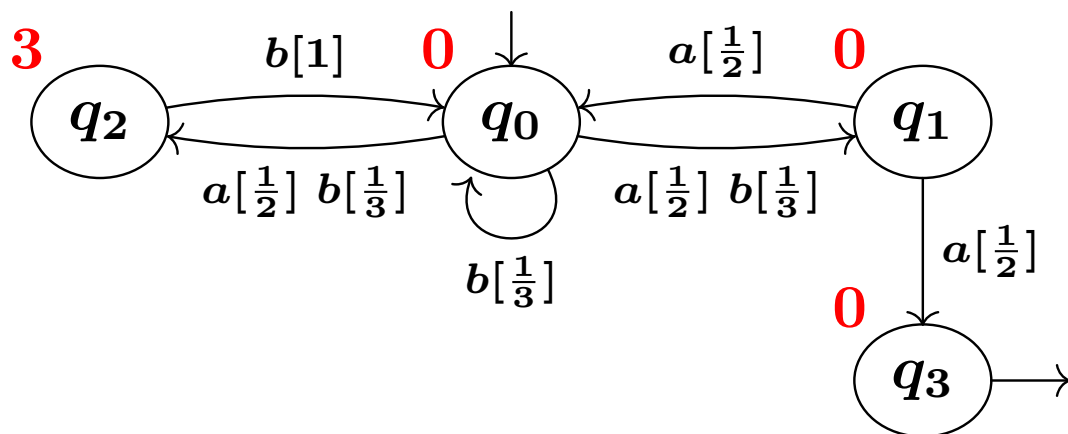
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Optimal Expected Reward of MDPs: Scheduler Synthesis + Its Performance Guarantee

Markov Decision Process (MDP)



- State-based model with **actions** (a , b , ...) and **probabilistic uncertainties**
- Basic framework in many research areas (e.g. reinforcement learning)
- General modeling formalism for decision making in an uncertain environment

Goal: Compute Optimal Expected Reward

Problem:

- Given an MDP,
- Compute the optimal *scheduler* (~ controller, strategy; it chooses actions) and its expected cumulative reward

Applications:

- **Scheduler synthesis**
“what is the best strategy?”
- **Formal verification**
“How much cumulative reward can I expect?”
“Is the expectation correct?”

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A Paradigm with Conceptual Value, Performance Advantage, and Mathematical Blessing

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A} \star \mathcal{B}) = \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}) \star \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{B})$$

Composition of **systems**
(seqComp, parComp, sum, ...)

Composition of **semantics**

Conceptual Value

- “**Divide-and-Conquer**”:
simplifies a problem into
smaller subproblems
- $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A})$, $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{B})$ are **summaries**
of components \mathcal{A} , \mathcal{B} .
Unnecessary details get
abstracted away

Performance Advantage

- Clear adv. when there are
duplicates (reuse $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A})$!)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A} \star \dots \star \mathcal{A}) \\ = \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A}) \star \dots \star \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{A})\end{aligned}$$

- (In some cases you don't
need duplicates, e.g. mergesort)

Mathematical Blessing

- Compositionality means that
the solution

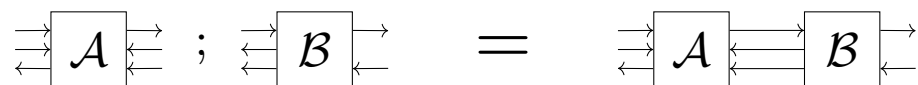
$$\mathcal{S}: \mathbb{M} \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}$$

is a **homomorphism**,
preserving the operation \star

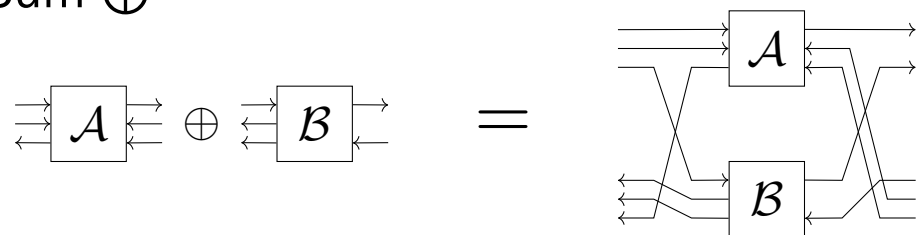
String Diagrams of MDPs: Planar Composition with SeqComp ; and Sum \oplus

String Diagram of MDPs

- Sequential composition ;



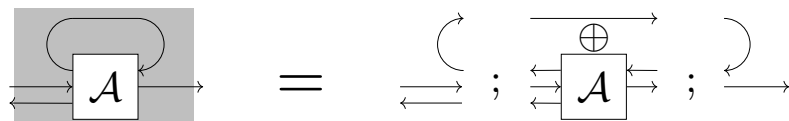
- Sum \oplus



- and some “constants” \hookrightarrow , \hookleftarrow , \times , ...

→ **planar composition** of MDPs
(mostly *sequential* composition; not parallel)

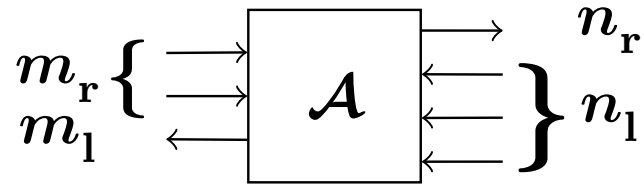
- Loop is a derived operation:



Background: Monoidal Categories

- Well-established topic of category theory (Mac Lane, Kelly, Joyal, Street, ...)
- Used for many applications:
quantum field theory (Khovanov, ...),
quantum computation (Abramsky, Coecke, Vicary, Heunen, ...),
linguistics (Sadrzadeh, Coecke, ...),
signal flow diagrams (Bonchi, Sobocinski, Zanasi, ...)
- String diagrams as a *graphical syntax* for monoidal categories [Joyal & Street, Adv. Math. 1991]
 - nice expressive (planar composition, see left)
 - comes with a rich metatheory (see later)

Composition Formalism: String Diagrams of MDPs



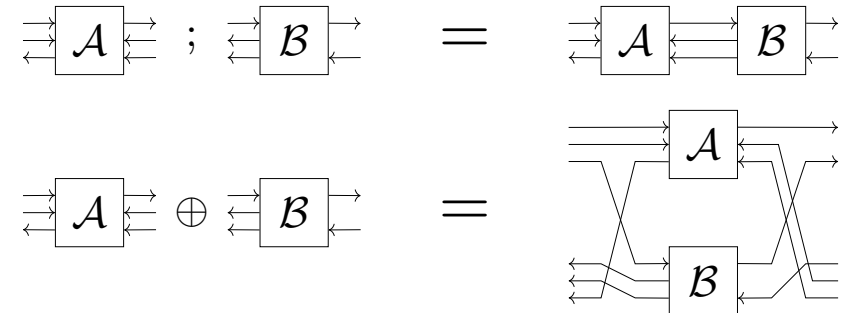
- **Open MDPs** extend MDPs with **open ends**:
(left, right) \times (entrance, exit)
- An open MDP thus comes with an **arity**.
E.g. $\mathcal{A} : (2, 1) \longrightarrow (1, 3)$
- Open MDPs are combined with
algebraic operations ; (**seqComp**) and \oplus (**sum**)

$$\frac{\mathcal{A} : (m_r, m_l) \longrightarrow (n_r, n_l) \quad \mathcal{B} : (n_r, n_l) \longrightarrow (k_r, k_l)}{\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{B} : (m_r, m_l) \longrightarrow (k_r, k_l)}$$

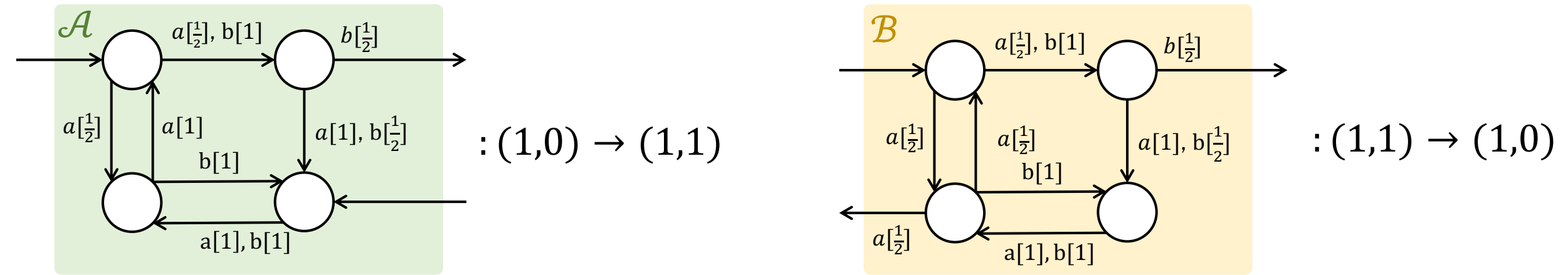
$$\frac{\mathcal{A} : (m_r, m_l) \longrightarrow (n_r, n_l) \quad \mathcal{B} : (k_r, k_l) \longrightarrow (l_r, l_l)}{\mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B} : (m_r + k_r, m_l + k_l) \longrightarrow (n_r + l_r, n_l + l_l)}$$

Def. (open MDP, oMDP) Let A be a non-empty finite set, whose elements are called *actions*. An *open MDP* \mathcal{A} (over the action set A) is the tuple $(\overline{m}, \overline{n}, Q, A, E, P, R)$ of the following data. We say that it is *from* \overline{m} *to* \overline{n} .

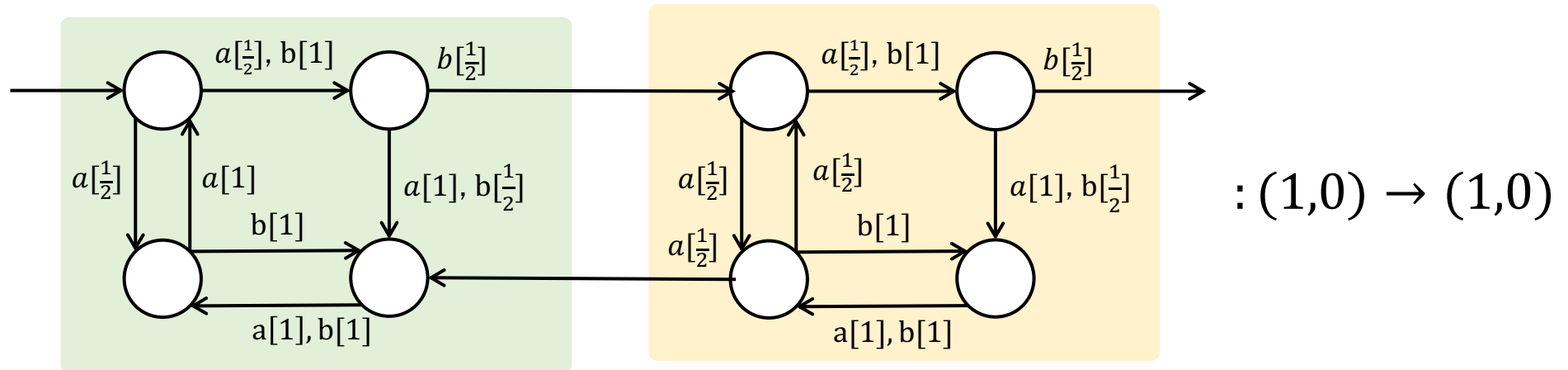
1. $\overline{m} = (m_r, m_l)$ and $\overline{n} = (n_r, n_l)$ are pairs of natural numbers; they are called the *left-arity* and the *right-arity*, respectively. Moreover, elements of $[m_r + m_l]$ are called *entrances*, and those of $[n_r + n_l]$ are called *exits*.
2. Q is a finite set of *positions*.
3. $E : [m_r + m_l] \rightarrow Q + [n_r + m_l]$ is an *entry function*, which maps each entrance to either a position (in Q) or an exit (in $[n_r + m_l]$).
4. $P : Q \times A \times (Q + [n_r + m_l]) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ determines *transition probabilities*, where we require $\sum_{s' \in Q + [n_r + m_l]} P(s, a, s') \in \{0, 1\}$ for each $s \in Q$ and $a \in A$.
5. R is a *reward function* $R : Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$.
6. We impose the following “unique access to each exit” condition. Let $\text{exits} : ([m_r + m_l] + Q) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}([n_r + m_l])$ be the *exit function* that collects all immediately reachable exits, that is, 1) for each $s \in Q$, $\text{exits}(s) = \{t \in [n_r + m_l] \mid \exists a \in A. P(s, a, t) > 0\}$, and 2) for each entrance $s \in [m_r + m_l]$, $\text{exits}(s) = \{E(s)\}$ if $E(s)$ is an exit and $\text{exits}(s) = \emptyset$ otherwise.
 - For all $s, s' \in [m_r + m_l] + Q$, if $\text{exits}(s) \cap \text{exits}(s') \neq \emptyset$, then $s = s'$.
 - We further require that each exit is reached from an identical position by at most one action. That is, for each exit $t \in [n_r + m_l]$, $s \in Q$, and $a, b \in A$, if both $P(s, a, t) > 0$ and $P(s, b, t) > 0$, then $a = b$.



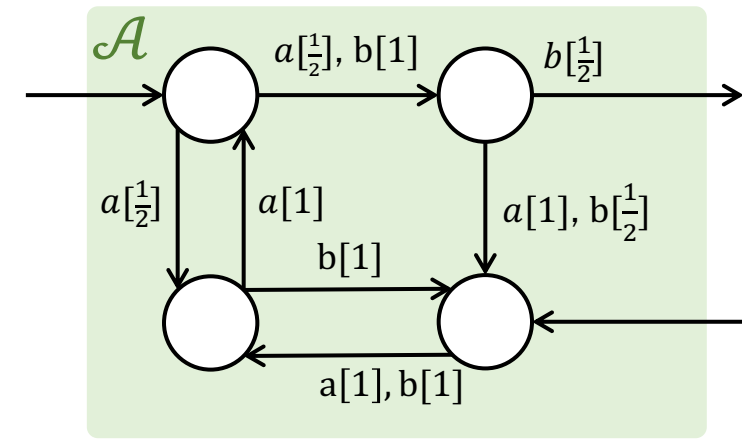
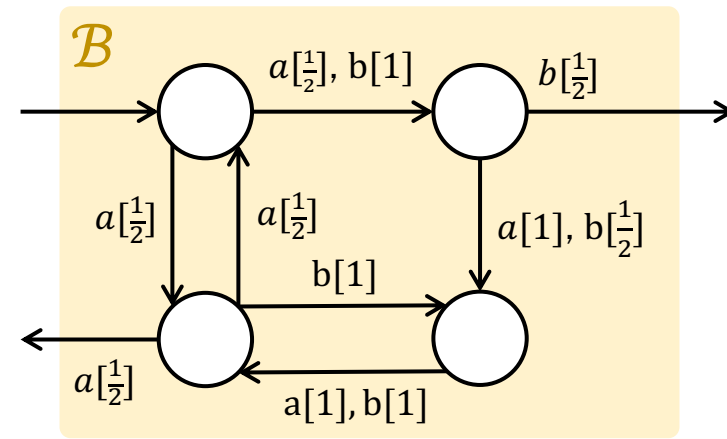
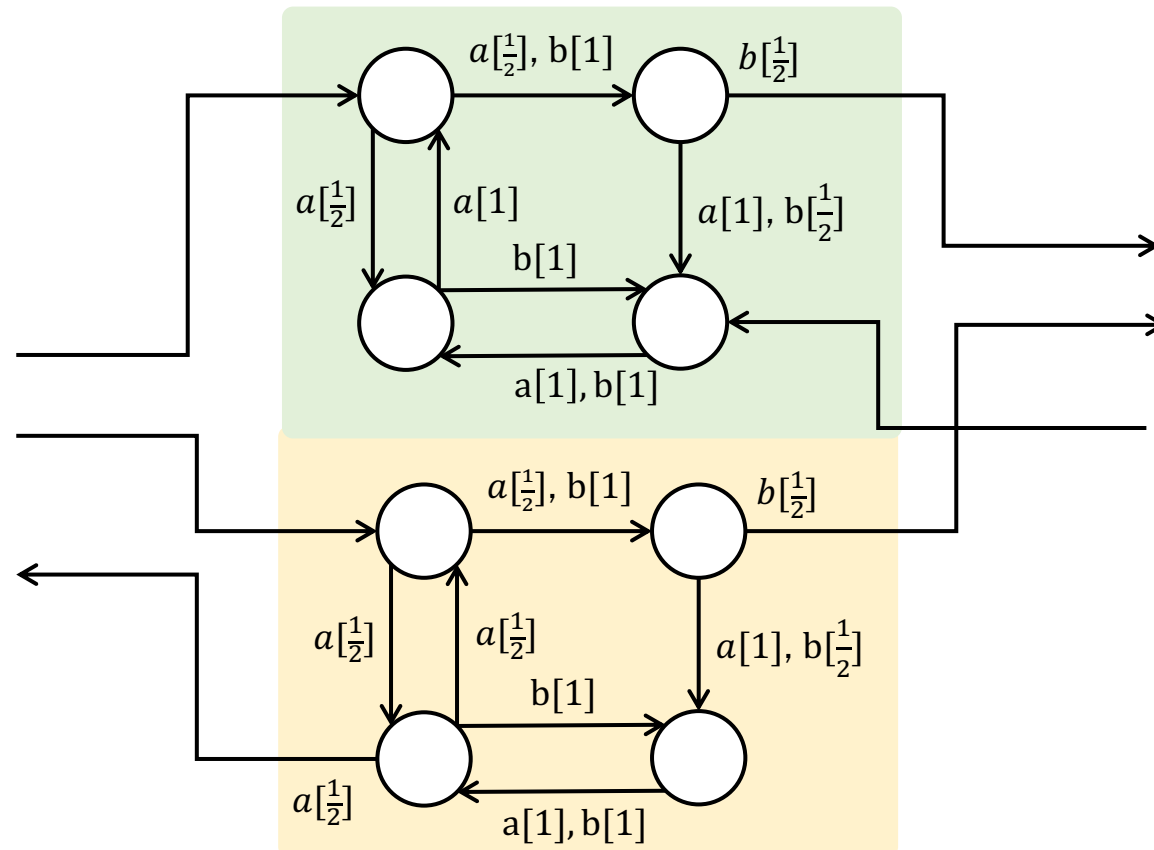
; (seqComp) of String Diagrams of MDPs



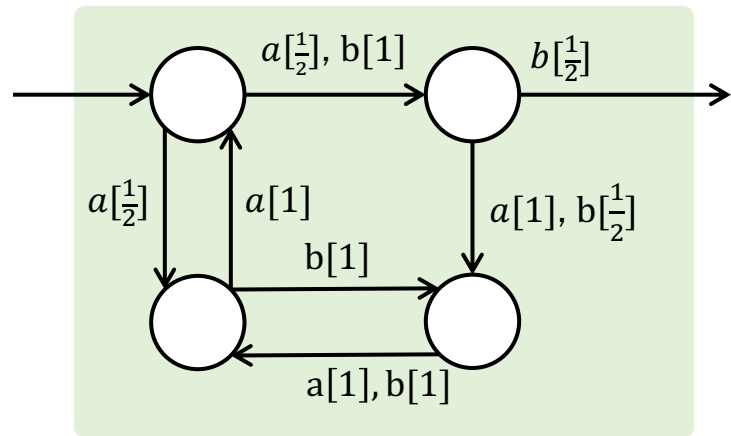
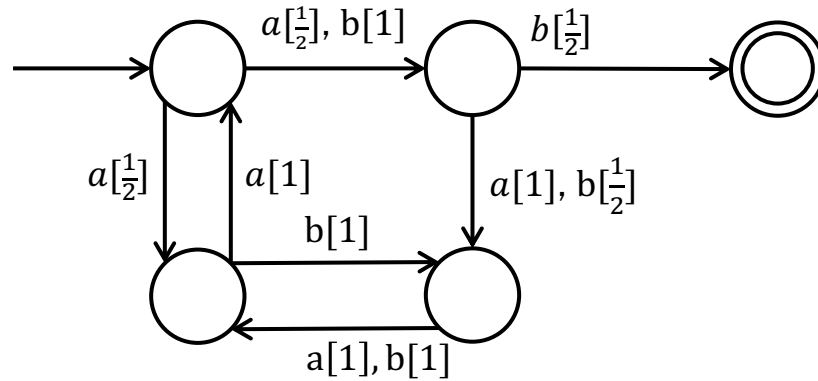
$\mathcal{A} ; \mathcal{B} =$



\oplus (sum) of String Diagrams of MDPs


 $: (1,0) \rightarrow (1,1)$

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 $\mathcal{A} \oplus \mathcal{B} =$

 $: (2,1) \rightarrow (2,1)$

String Diagrams of MDPs: (Usual) MDPs as Open MDPs



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CompMDP: a Compositional MDP Model Checking Algorithm

function CompMDP(\mathcal{A})

Input:

a “string diagram” $\mathcal{A}: (m_r, m_l) \rightarrow (n_r, n_l)$ of open MDPs,
composed with ; (seqComp) and \oplus (sum)

Output:

a set $\left\{ \left(p_{\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}}^{\tau}, r_{\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}}^{\tau} \right)_{\mathbf{i} \in [m_r + n_l], \mathbf{j} \in [n_r + m_l]} \right\}_{\tau}$

if \mathcal{A} is atomic **then**

return $\left\{ \left(\text{RPr}(\mathcal{A}^{\tau})(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}), \text{ERw}(\mathcal{A}^{\tau})(\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}) \right)_{\mathbf{i} \in [m_r + n_l], \mathbf{j} \in [n_r + m_l]} \mid \begin{array}{l} \tau \text{ is a memoryless} \\ \text{scheduler of } \mathcal{A} \end{array} \right\}_{\tau}$

elseif $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{C}$ **then**

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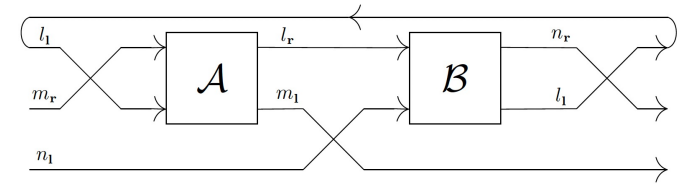
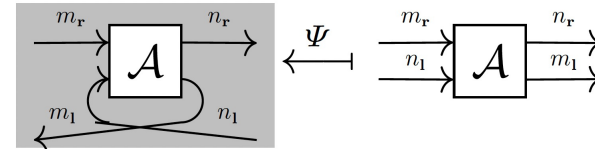
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Upgrading Frameworks for Free: Compositional Solutions for MC, MDP, and bi-dir. MDP

$$\mathbf{oMDP} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}} \mathbb{S}$$

the Int construction

bidirectional



$$\mathbf{roMDP} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}_r} \mathbb{S}_r$$

change of base w/ \mathcal{P}

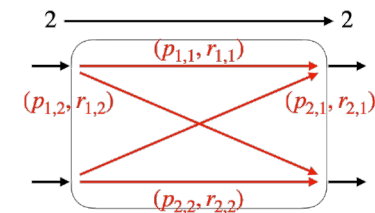
non-determinism

$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \boxed{A} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right]_{\mathcal{S}_r} =$$

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \boxed{A^\tau} \begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right]_{\mathcal{S}_r^{\text{MC}}} = \left[\begin{array}{c} 2 \rightarrow 2 \\ \rightarrow \rightarrow \\ \rightarrow \rightarrow \end{array} \right]_{\tau} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{roMC} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}_r^{\text{MC}}} \mathbb{S}_r^{\text{MC}}$$

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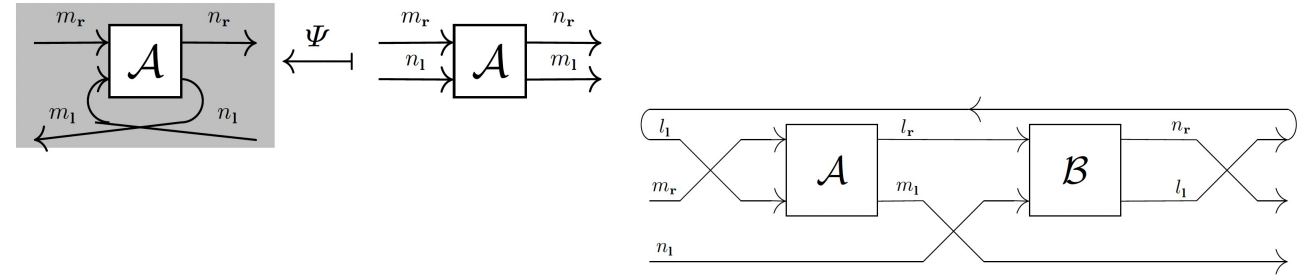


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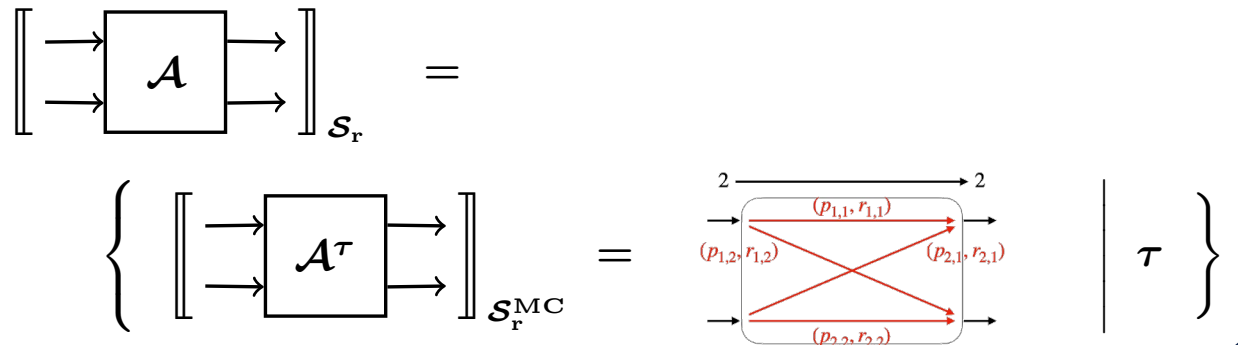
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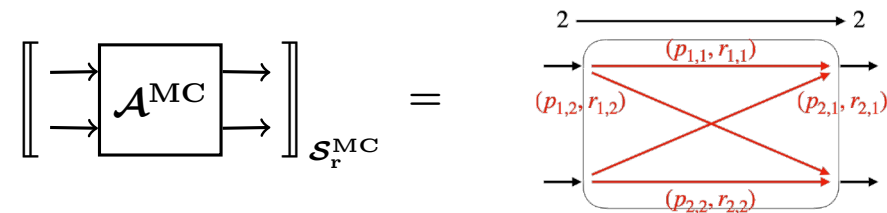
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Decomposition Equalities for (rightward open) Markov Chains

reachability probability

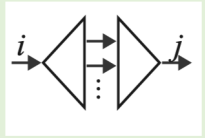
expected reward

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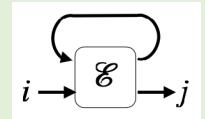
$$\mathbf{RPr} \left\{ i \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right) \rightarrow j \right\} =$$

$$\sum_k \mathbf{RPr} \left\{ i \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right) \rightarrow k \right\} \times \mathbf{RPr} \left\{ k \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} \rightarrow \\ \vdots \\ \rightarrow \end{array} \right) \rightarrow j \right\}$$

(Folklore)

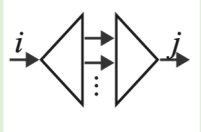
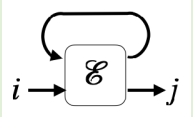


trace



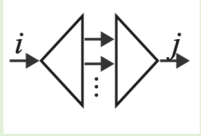
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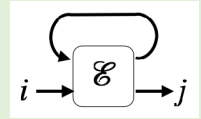
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$$\mathbf{ERw} \left\{ i \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \triangle \\ \vdots \\ \triangle \end{array} \rightarrow j \right\} = \sum_k \mathbf{RPr} \left\{ i \rightarrow \triangle \xrightarrow{k} \right\} \times \mathbf{ERw} \left\{ \triangle \xrightarrow{k} \rightarrow \right\} + \sum_k \mathbf{ERw} \left\{ i \rightarrow \triangle \xrightarrow{k} \right\} \times \mathbf{RPr} \left\{ \triangle \xrightarrow{k} \rightarrow j \right\}$$

(Prop. 3.2)

trace



$$\Pr \left[i \rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow j \right] = \Pr \left[i \circ \boxed{\mathcal{E}} \circ j \right] + \sum_{d \in \mathbb{N}} \Pr \left[i \circ \boxed{\mathcal{E}} \circ \overbrace{\boxed{\mathcal{E}} \circ \dots \circ \boxed{\mathcal{E}}}^{d \text{ times}} \circ j \right]$$

(Girard's execution formula)

$$\begin{aligned} & [\mathbf{ERw}^{\text{tr}_{l;m,n}(\mathcal{E})}(i, j)]_{i,j} \\ &= [\mathbf{ERw}^{\mathcal{E}}(l + i, l + j)]_{i,j} \\ &+ \sum_{d \in \mathbb{N}} \left[\begin{array}{cc} ([\mathbf{RPr}^{\mathcal{E}}(l + i, k)]_{i,k} & [\mathbf{ERw}^{\mathcal{E}}(l + i, k)]_{i,k}) \\ \cdot \left(\begin{array}{cc} [\mathbf{RPr}^{\mathcal{E}}(k, k')]_{k,k'} & [\mathbf{ERw}^{\mathcal{E}}(k, k')]_{k,k'} \\ [0]_{k,k'} & [\mathbf{RPr}^{\mathcal{E}}(k, k')]_{k,k'} \end{array} \right)^d \\ \cdot \left(\begin{array}{c} [\mathbf{ERw}^{\mathcal{E}}(k', l + j)]_{k',j} \\ [\mathbf{RPr}^{\mathcal{E}}(k', l + j)]_{k',j} \end{array} \right) \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

(Prop. 3.2)

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Decomposition Equalities

For ERw,
record RPr as well!

en) Markov Chains

reachability prob

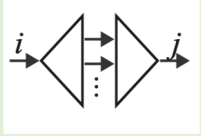
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$$+ \sum_k \mathbf{ERw} \left\{ i \rightarrow \triangleleft^k \right\} \times \mathbf{RPr} \left\{ \triangleleft^k \rightarrow j \right\}$$

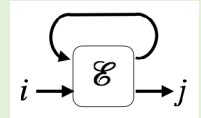
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$$\sum_{d \in \mathbb{N}} \Pr \left[i \rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \overbrace{\boxed{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \boxed{\mathcal{E}}}^{d \text{ times}} \rightarrow j \right]$$

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(Prop. 3.2)

CompMDP: a Compositional MDP Model Checking Algorithm

function CompMDP(\mathcal{A})

Input:

a “string diagram” $\mathcal{A}: (m_r, m_l) \rightarrow (n_r, n_l)$ of open MDPs,
composed with ; (seqComp) and \oplus (sum)

Output:

a set $\left\{ (p_{i,j}^\tau, r_{i,j}^\tau)_{i \in [m_r + n_l], j \in [n_r + m_l]} \right\}_\tau$

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if \mathcal{A} is atomic then

return $\left\{ \left(\text{RPr}(\mathcal{A}^\tau)(i, j), \text{ERw}(\mathcal{A}^\tau)(i, j) \right)_{i \in [m_r + n_l], j \in [n_r + m_l]} \mid \tau \text{ is a memoryless scheduler of } \mathcal{A} \right\}_\tau$

elseif $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}; \mathcal{C}$ then

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concretely, string diagram in $\mathcal{S}_r^{\text{MC}}$

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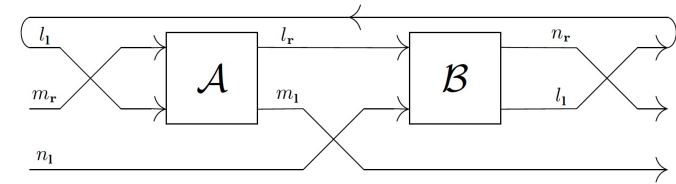
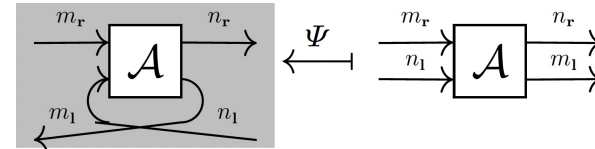
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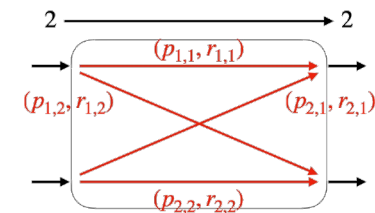
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Change of Base for Accommodating Actions, Schedulers, Optimality

[Eilenberg & Kelly '66] [Cruttwell, PhD thesis, '08] ...

We apply change of base,
wrt. the powerset functor $\mathcal{P}: \mathbf{Set} \longrightarrow \mathbf{Set}$,
to *upgrade* \mathbb{S}_r^{MC} (for MCs) to \mathbb{S}_r (for MDPs).

Concretely,

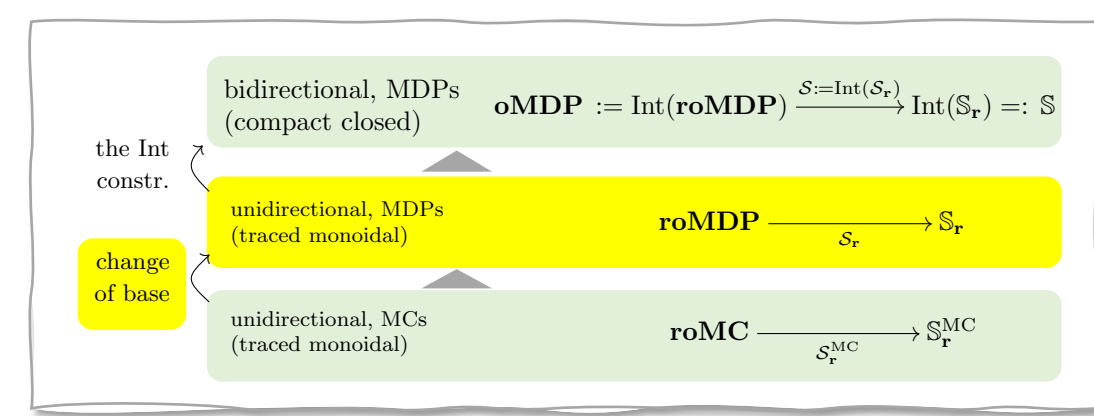
Def. (\mathbb{S}_r)

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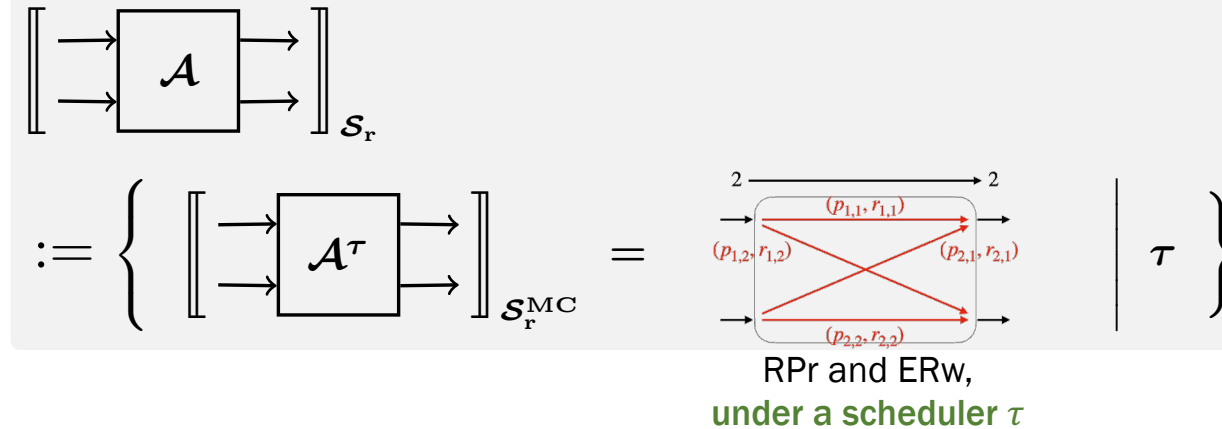
Arrow:

$$\frac{F: m \longrightarrow n \text{ in } \mathbb{S}_r}{F \text{ is a set } \{f_i \mid f_i: m \rightarrow n \text{ in } \mathbb{S}_r^{\text{MC}}\}}$$

\mathbb{S}_r is a TSMC with pointwise extension of opr. of \mathbb{S}_r^{MC} .
E.g. $F \circ G = \{f_i \circ g_j\}_{i,j}$
(Being a category: by general theory of change of base.
Being traced monoidal: not covered, but easy.)



The solution functor $\mathcal{S}_r: \mathbf{roMDP} \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}_r$
is defined by bunding up different schedulers' behaviors



Thm.

$\mathcal{S}_r: \mathbf{roMDP} \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}_r$ is a traced symmetric monoidal functor, i.e. a homomorphism of TSMCs. \square

➔ **compositional model checking** of MDPs!

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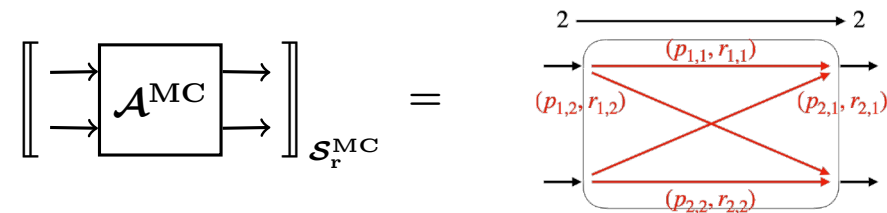
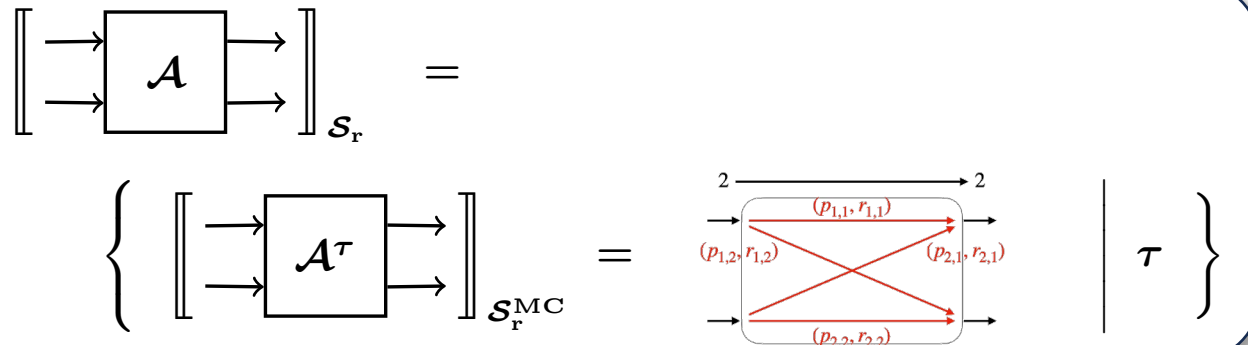
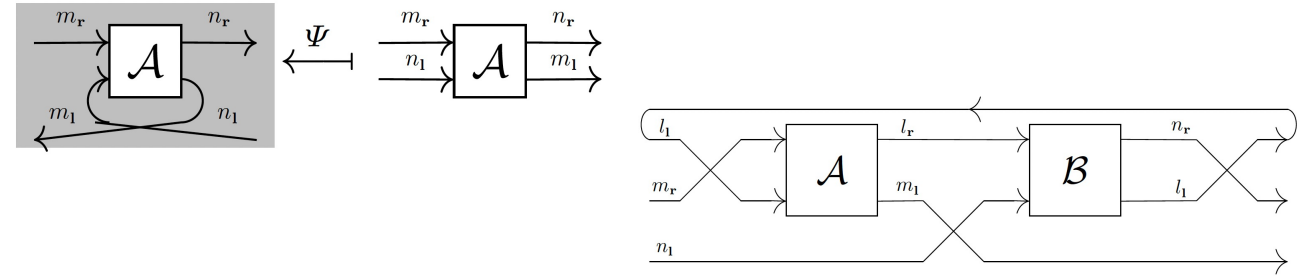
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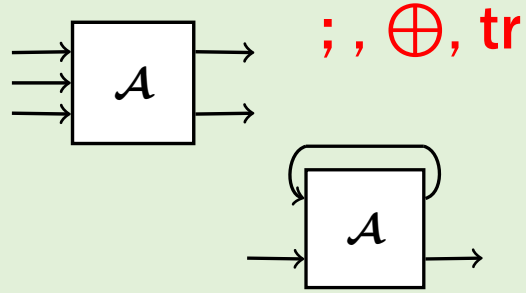
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The Int Construction from Unidirectional to Bidirectional

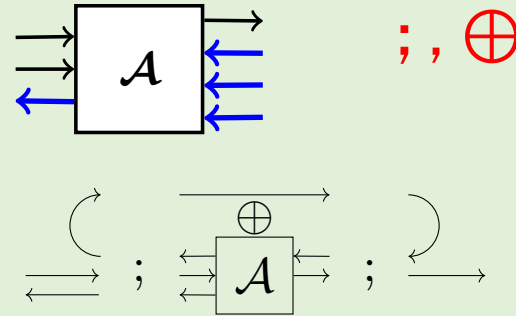
The *Int construction*: [Joyal, Street & Verity '96]
a general construction that turns

unidirectional string diagrams with loops



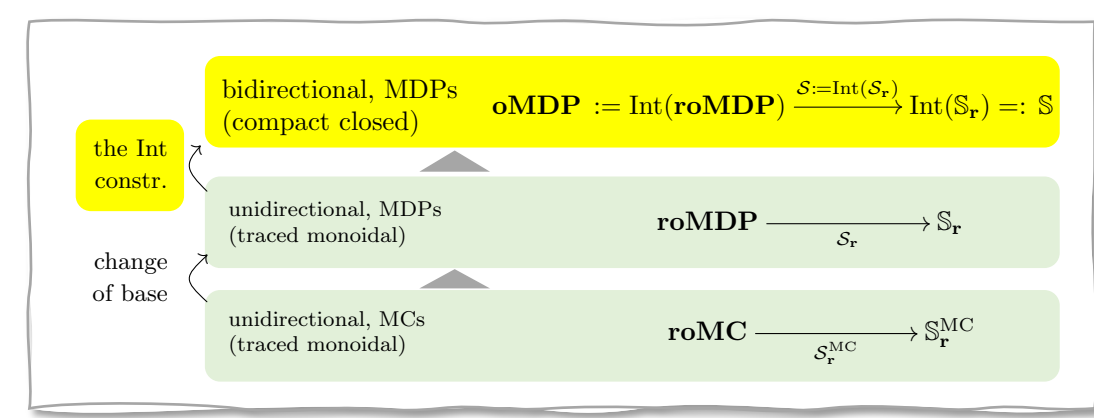
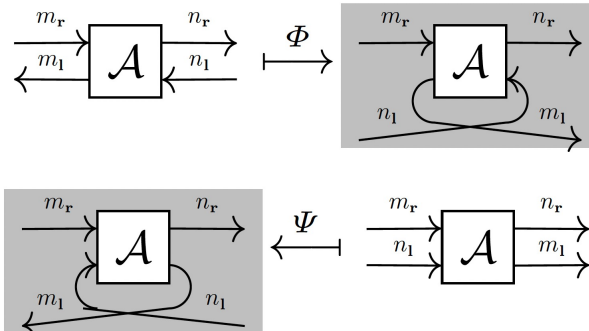
(traced sym. monoidal categories (TSMC))

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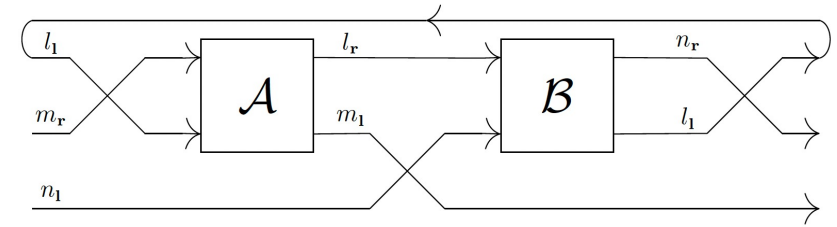


(compact closed categories (compCC))

by twisting:



In particular, the bidirectional seqComp $\mathcal{A}; \mathcal{B}$ is



Int extends to functors (and 2-cells):

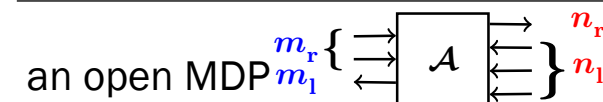
$$\mathbf{Int}: \mathbf{TSMC} \longrightarrow \mathbf{CompCC}$$

We thus apply **Int** to $\mathcal{S}_r: \mathbf{roMDP} \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}_r$ and get

$$\mathcal{S}: \mathbf{oMDP} \longrightarrow \mathbb{S}$$

Object: (m_r, m_l)

Arrow: $\mathcal{A}: (\mathbf{m}_r, \mathbf{m}_l) \longrightarrow (\mathbf{n}_r, \mathbf{n}_l)$ in **oMDP**



This is a compact closed functor.

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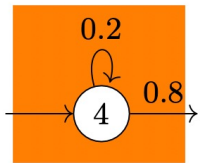
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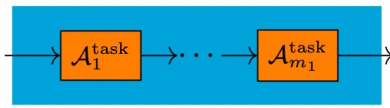
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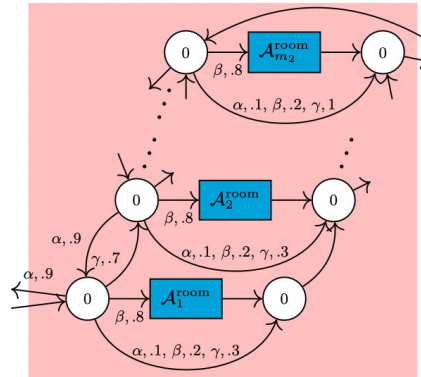
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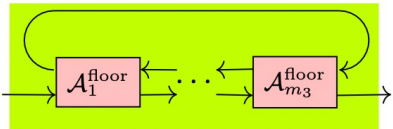
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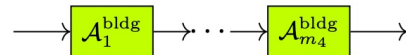
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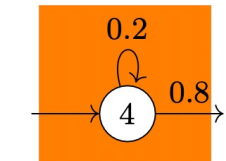
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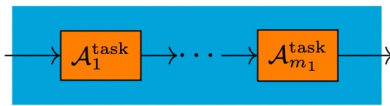
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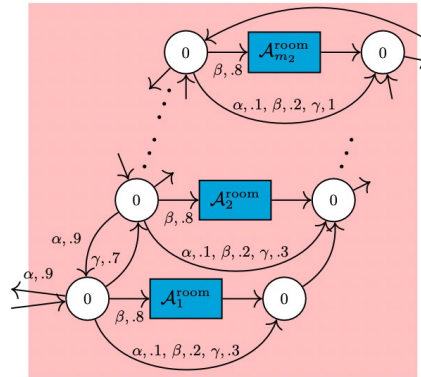
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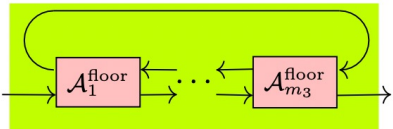
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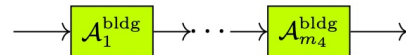
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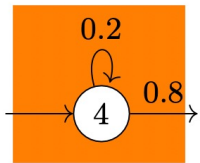
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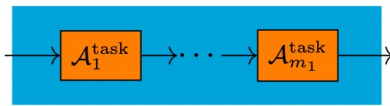
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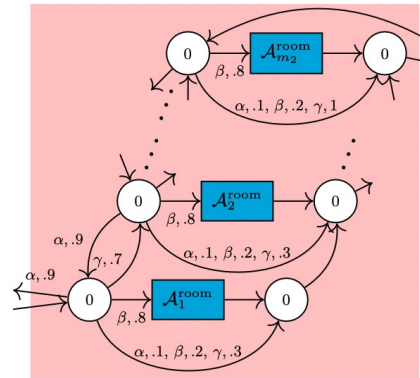
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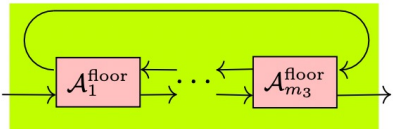
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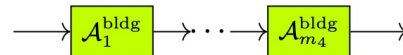
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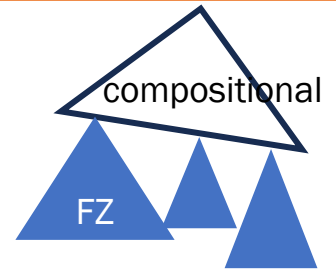
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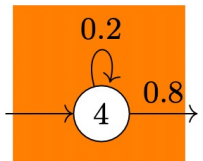
We can stop doing compositionally at a certain depth

(FZ-all = no compositionality; we used PRISM)

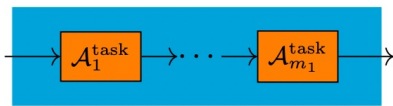


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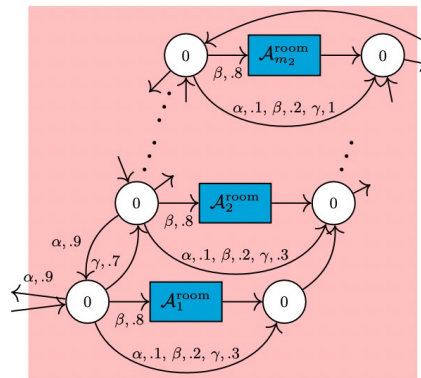
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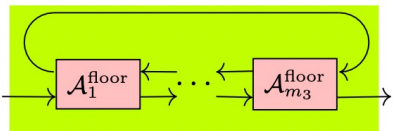
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- But going all the way down may not be a good idea

Outline

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- Target problem: optimal expected reward of MDPs
- Composition formalism: string diagrams of MDPs
- Compositional solution of MDPs
- Upgrading compositional solution for free
- Experimental evaluation
- ➡ • Conclusions

Related Work (Compositional Probabilistic MC)

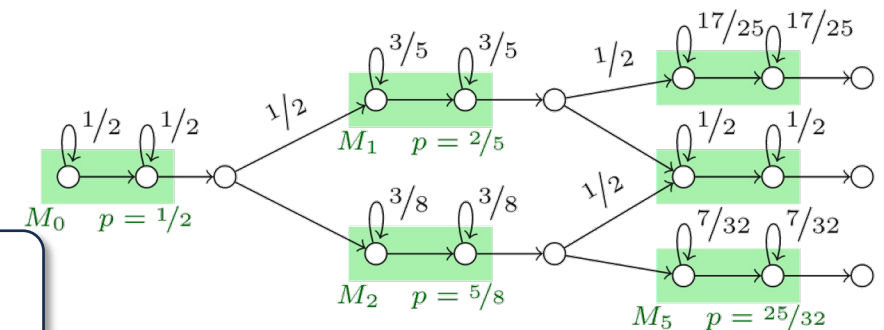
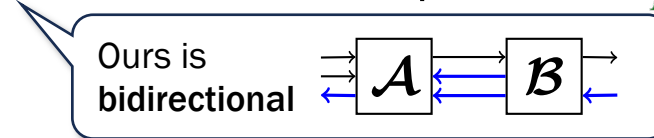
- **Probabilistic** model checking is an active field (Baier, Larsen, Katoen, Kwiatkowska, Parker, Raskin, ...)
- **Compositionality** in model checking is an old problem [Clarke, Long & McMillan, LICS'89] [Tsukada & Ong, LICS'14] ...
- Two closely related works on **compositional probabilistic** model checking:

Probabilistic Model Checking
wrt. **Parallel Composition** \parallel
[Kwiatkowska, Norman, Parker & Qu,
Inf. Comp. '13]

- Compositional model checking of **parallel composition** $\mathcal{A} \parallel \mathcal{B}$
- ... but **assume-guarantee “contracts”** betw. \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{B} must be devised
- Harder problem in general

Parametric MDP Model
Checking for Sequential
Composition
[Junges & Spaan, CAV'22]

- Sequential composition of **parametric MDPs**
- **Unidirectional** composition

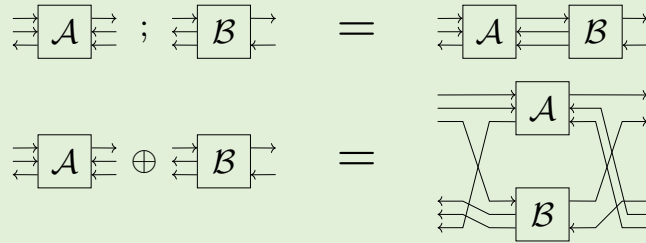


- Assumption: **locally optimal schedulers are globally optimal, too**
(It holds if component exits are unique. We don't need this assumption)
- Compositional solution of **parametric** components $\mathcal{A}(p)$
(We don't do this)

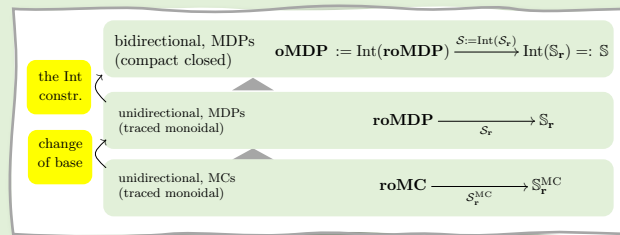
Monoidal Categories Guiding Planer-Compositional Model Checking

“Our general methodology”:

- Composition by **string diagrams**



- Semantic domains from **category theory**
- Upgrading frameworks for free**



We applied it to **MDP model checking**

- semantic categories by decomposition equalities

$$\text{ERw} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right\} = \sum_k \text{RPr} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right\} \times \text{ERw} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right\} + \sum_k \text{ERw} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right\} \times \text{RPr} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \end{array} \right\}$$

- a **compositional algorithm** with clear performance advantage

Future work

- parallel composition
- other problems
 - mean payoff games [Watanabe+, arXiv'23]