

Winning Strategies in Concurrent Games

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A principled way to develop *nondeterministic concurrent strategies* in games within a general model for concurrency. Following Joyal and Conway, a strategy from a game G to a game H will be a strategy in $G^\perp \parallel H$. Strategies will be those nondeterministic plays of a game which compose well with copy-cat strategies, within the model of event structures. Consequences, connections and extensions to winning strategies.

Event structures

An **event structure** comprises (E, \leq, Con) , consisting of a set of *events* E

- partially ordered by \leq , the **causal dependency relation**, and

- a nonempty family Con of finite subsets of E , the **consistency relation**,

which satisfy

$$\{e' \mid e' \leq e\} \text{ is finite for all } e \in E,$$
$$\{e\} \in \text{Con for all } e \in E,$$
$$Y \subseteq X \in \text{Con} \Rightarrow Y \in \text{Con}, \text{ and}$$
$$X \in \text{Con} \ \& \ e \leq e' \in X \Rightarrow X \cup \{e\} \in \text{Con}.$$

Say e, e' are **concurrent** if $\{e, e'\} \in \text{Con} \ \& \ e \not\leq e' \ \& \ e' \not\leq e$.

In games the relation of **immediate dependency** $e \rightarrow e'$, meaning e and e' are distinct with $e \leq e'$ and no event in between, will play an important role.

Configurations of an event structure

The **configurations**, $\mathcal{C}^\infty(E)$, of an event structure E consist of those subsets $x \subseteq E$ which are

Consistent: $\forall X \subseteq_{\text{fin}} x. X \in \text{Con}$ and

Down-closed: $\forall e, e'. e' \leq e \in x \Rightarrow e' \in x$.

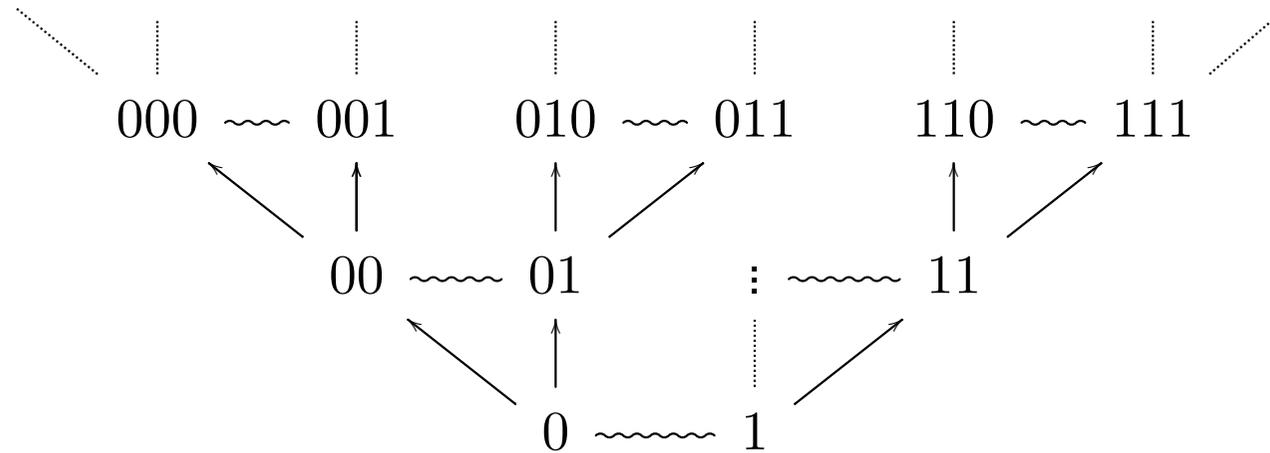
For an event e the set $[e] =_{\text{def}} \{e' \in E \mid e' \leq e\}$ is a configuration describing the whole causal history of the event e .

$x \subseteq x'$, *i.e.* x is a sub-configuration of x' , means that x is a sub-history of x' .

If E is countable, $(\mathcal{C}^\infty(E), \subseteq)$ is a dI-domain (and all such are so obtained).

Often concentrate on the **finite configurations** $\mathcal{C}(E)$.

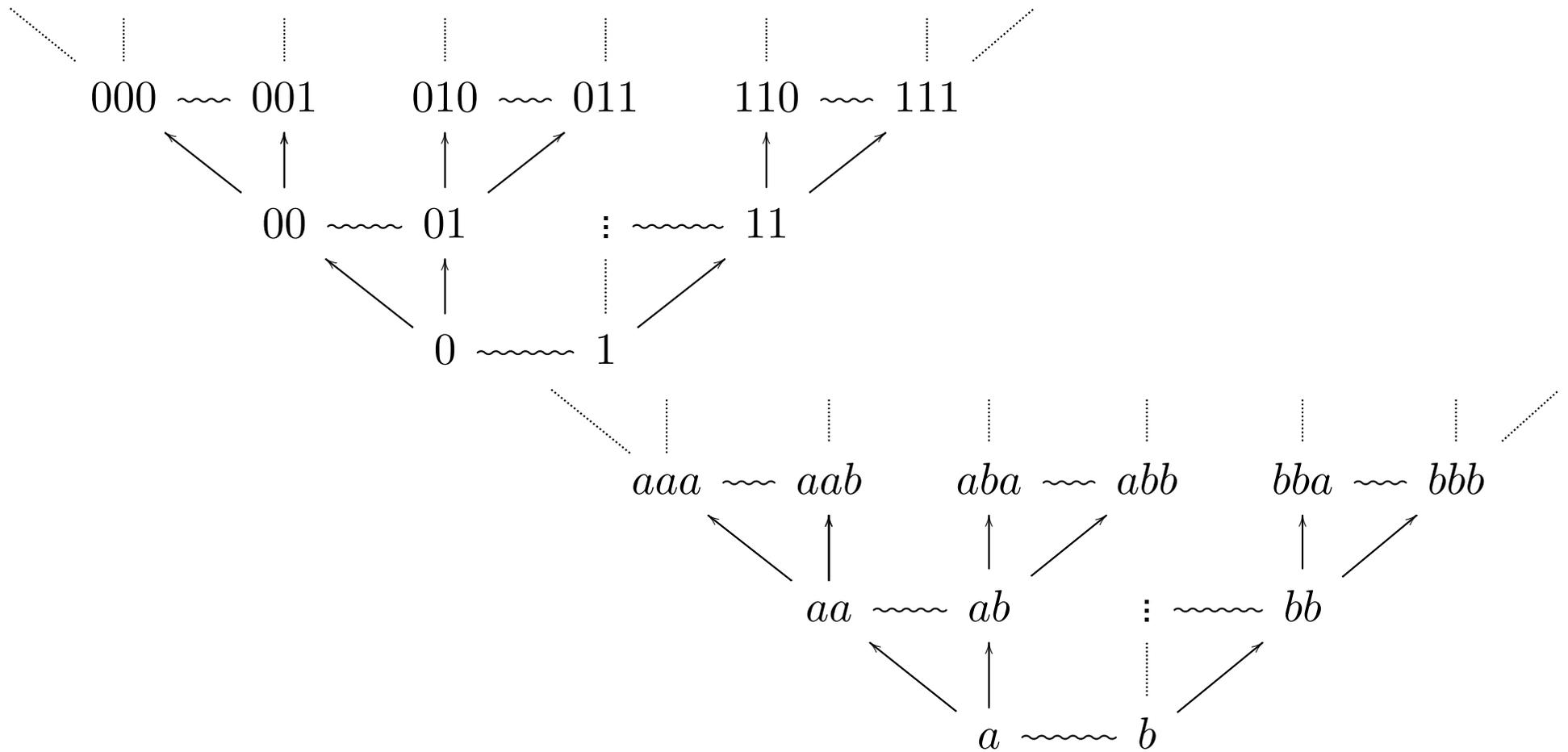
Example: Streams as event structures



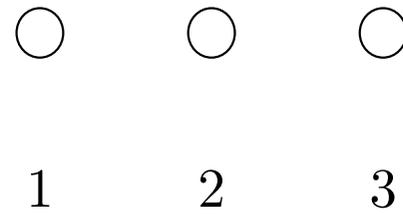
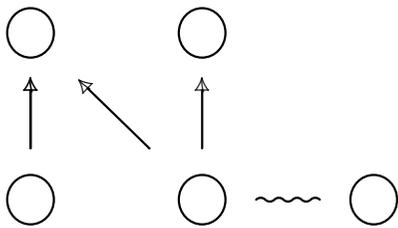
~~~~~ conflict (inconsistency)

→ immediate causal dependency

# Simple parallel composition



## Other examples



$$\text{Con} = \{ \emptyset, \{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}, \{2, 3\} \}$$

## Maps of event structures

- Semantics of synchronising processes [Hoare, Milner] can be expressed in terms of universal constructions on event structures, and other models.
- Relations between models via adjunctions.

In this context, a **simulation map** of event structures  $f : E \rightarrow E'$  is a partial function on events  $f : E \rightarrow E'$  such that for all  $x \in \mathcal{C}(E)$

$fx \in \mathcal{C}(E')$  and

if  $e_1, e_2 \in x$  and  $f(e_1) = f(e_2)$ , then  $e_1 = e_2$ .      (*'event linearity'*)

**Idea:** *the occurrence of an event  $e$  in  $E$  induces the coincident occurrence of the event  $f(e)$  in  $E'$  whenever it is defined.*

## Process constructions on event structures

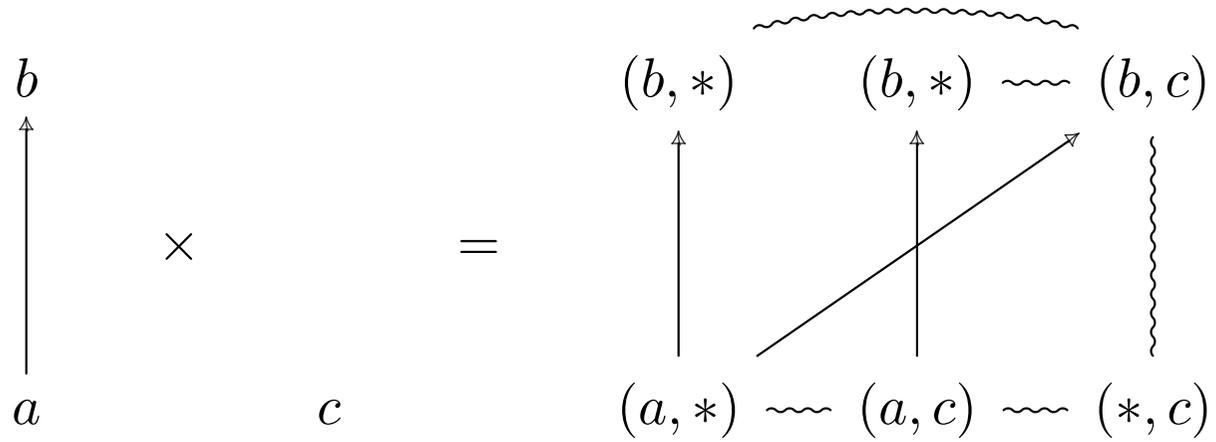
**“Partial synchronous” product:**  $A \times B$  with projections  $\Pi_1$  and  $\Pi_2$ ,  
*cf.* CCS synchronized composition where all events of  $A$  can synchronize with all events of  $B$ . (*Hard to construct directly so use e.g. stable families.*)

**Restriction:**  $E \upharpoonright R$ , the restriction of an event structure  $E$  to a subset of events  $R$ , has events  $E' = \{e \in E \mid [e] \subseteq R\}$  with causal dependency and consistency restricted from  $E$ .

**Synchronized compositions:** restrictions of products  $A \times B \upharpoonright R$ , where  $R$  specifies the allowed synchronized and unsynchronized events.

**Projection:** Let  $E$  be an event structure. Let  $V$  be a subset of ‘visible’ events. The *projection* of  $E$  on  $V$ ,  $E \downarrow V$ , has events  $V$  with causal dependency and consistency restricted from  $E$ .

# Product—an example



# Concurrent games

## Basics

Games and strategies are represented by **event structures with polarity**, an event structure in which all events carry a polarity  $+/-$ , respected by maps.

The two polarities  $+$  and  $-$  express the dichotomy:

*player/opponent; process/environment; ally/enemy.*

**Dual**,  $E^\perp$ , of an event structure with polarity  $E$  is a copy of the event structure  $E$  with a reversal of polarities;  $\bar{e} \in E^\perp$  is complement of  $e \in E$ , and *vice versa*.

A (nondeterministic) concurrent **pre-strategy** in game  $A$  is a total map

$$\sigma : S \rightarrow A$$

of event structures with polarity (*a nondeterministic play in game  $A$* ).

## Pre-strategies as arrows

A pre-strategy  $\sigma : A \dashrightarrow B$  is a total map of event structures with polarity

$$\sigma : S \rightarrow A^\perp \parallel B.$$

It corresponds to a *span* of event structures with polarity

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & S & \\ \sigma_1 \swarrow & & \searrow \sigma_2 \\ A^\perp & & B \end{array}$$

where  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  are *partial* maps of event structures with polarity; one and only one of  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  is defined on each event of  $S$ .

*Pre-strategies are isomorphic if they are isomorphic as spans.*

## Concurrent copy-cat

Identities on games  $A$  are given by copy-cat strategies  $\gamma_A : \mathbb{C}_A \rightarrow A^\perp \parallel A$  —strategies for player based on copying the latest moves made by opponent.

$\mathbb{C}_A$  has the same events, consistency and polarity as  $A^\perp \parallel A$  but with causal dependency  $\leq_{\mathbb{C}_A}$  given as the transitive closure of the relation

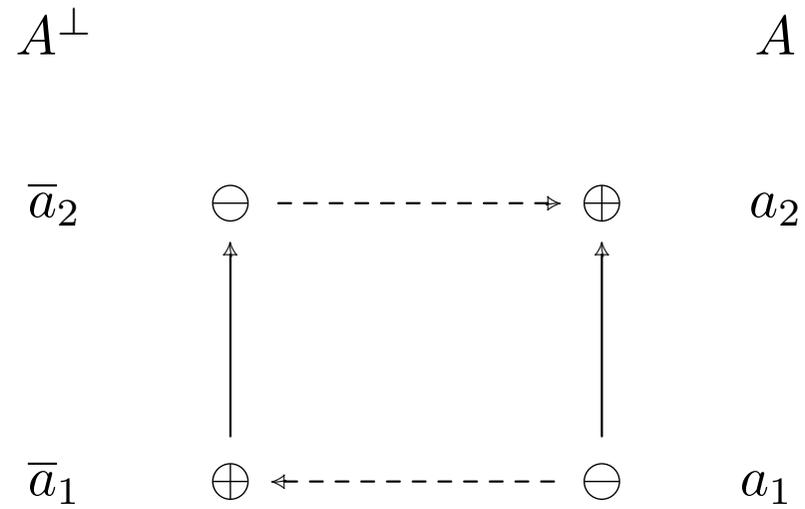
$$\leq_{A^\perp \parallel A} \cup \{(\bar{c}, c) \mid c \in A^\perp \parallel A \ \& \ pol_{A^\perp \parallel A}(c) = +\}$$

where  $\bar{c} \leftrightarrow c$  is the natural correspondence between  $A^\perp$  and  $A$ . The map  $\gamma_A$  is the identity on the common underlying set of events. Then,

$$x \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C}_A) \text{ iff } x \in \mathcal{C}(A^\perp \parallel A) \ \& \ \forall c \in x. \ pol_{A^\perp \parallel A}(c) = + \Rightarrow \bar{c} \in x.$$

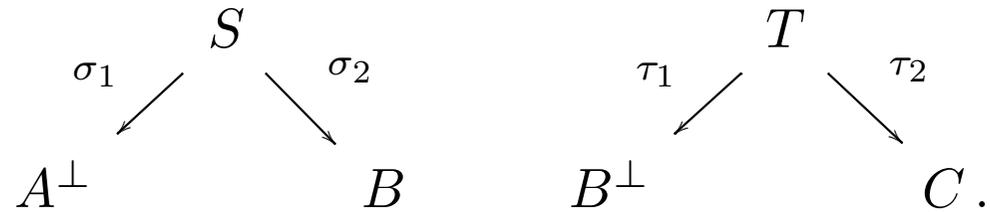
# Copy-cat—an example

$\mathbb{C}_A$

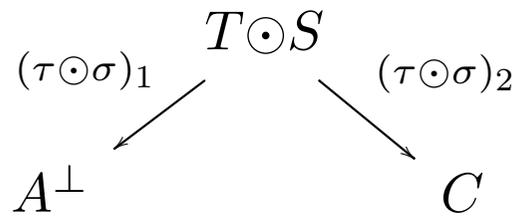


## Composing pre-strategies

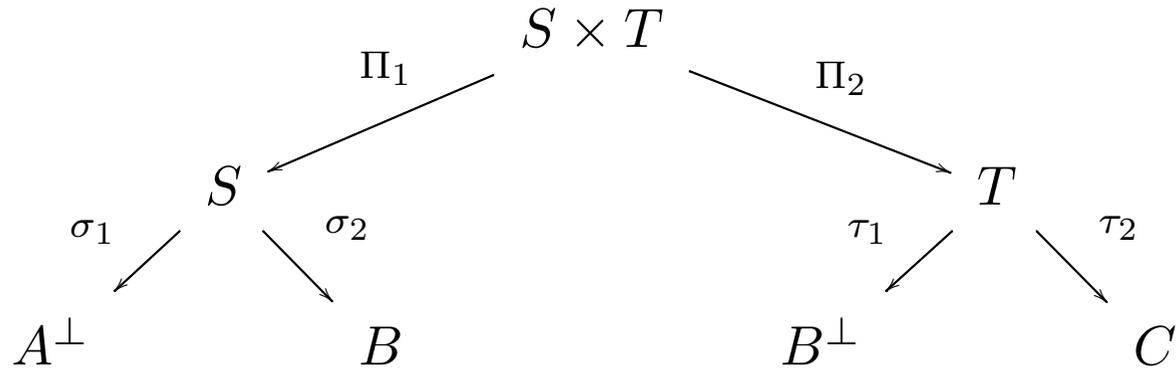
Two pre-strategies  $\sigma : A \rightarrow B$  and  $\tau : B \rightarrow C$  as spans:



Their composition



where  $T \odot S =_{\text{def}} (S \times T \upharpoonright \mathbf{Syn}) \downarrow \mathbf{Vis}$  where ...

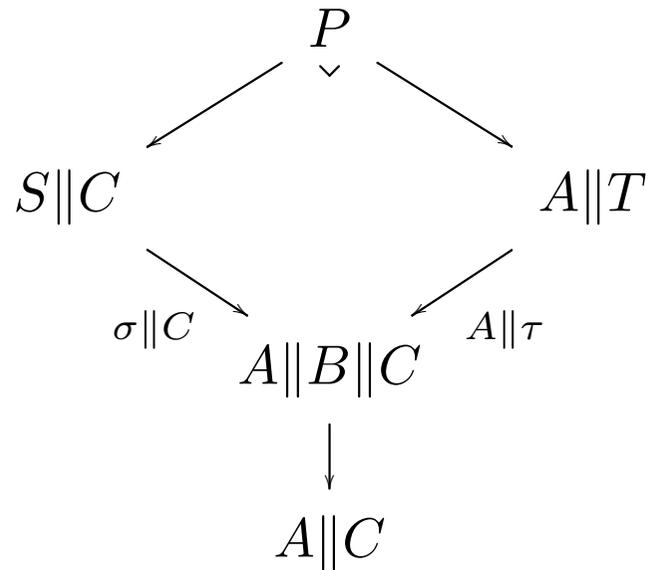


Their composition:  $T \odot S =_{\text{def}} (S \times T \upharpoonright \mathbf{Syn}) \downarrow \mathbf{Vis}$  where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{Syn} &= \{p \in S \times T \mid \sigma_1 \Pi_1(p) \text{ is defined \& } \Pi_2(p) \text{ is undefined}\} \cup \\
 &\quad \{p \in S \times T \mid \sigma_2 \Pi_1(p) = \overline{\tau_1 \Pi_2(p)} \text{ with both defined}\} \cup \\
 &\quad \{p \in S \times T \mid \tau_2 \Pi_2(p) \text{ is defined \& } \Pi_1(p) \text{ is undefined}\}, \\
 \mathbf{Vis} &= \{p \in S \times T \upharpoonright \mathbf{Syn} \mid \sigma_1 \Pi_1(p) \text{ is defined}\} \cup \\
 &\quad \{p \in S \times T \upharpoonright \mathbf{Syn} \mid \tau_2 \Pi_2(p) \text{ is defined}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

## Composition via pullback:

Ignoring polarities, the partial map



has the partial-total map factorization:  $P \longrightarrow T \odot S \xrightarrow{\tau \odot \sigma} A||C$ . [N. Bowler]

## Theorem characterizing concurrent strategies

**Receptivity**  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A^\perp \parallel B$  is *receptive* when  $\sigma(x) \dashv\vdash y$  implies there is a unique  $x' \in \mathcal{C}(S)$  such that  $x \dashv\vdash x'$  &  $\sigma(x') = y$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x & \dashv\vdash & x' \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \sigma(x) & \dashv\vdash & y \end{array}$$

**Innocence**  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A^\perp \parallel B$  is *innocent* when it is

*+Innocence*: If  $s \rightarrow s'$  &  $pol(s) = +$  then  $\sigma(s) \rightarrow \sigma(s')$  and

*--Innocence*: If  $s \rightarrow s'$  &  $pol(s') = -$  then  $\sigma(s) \rightarrow \sigma(s')$ .

[ $\rightarrow$  stands for immediate causal dependency]

**Theorem** Receptivity and innocence are necessary and sufficient for copy-cat to act as identity w.r.t. composition:  $\sigma \odot \gamma_A \cong \sigma$  and  $\gamma_B \odot \sigma \cong \sigma$  for all  $\sigma : A \dashv\vdash B$ .  
[Sylvain Rideau, GW]

**Definition** A *strategy* is a receptive, innocent pre-strategy.

$\rightsquigarrow$  A bicategory, **Games**, whose

*objects* are event structures with polarity—the games,

*arrows* are strategies  $\sigma : A \rightarrow B$

*2-cells* are maps of spans.

The vertical composition of 2-cells is the usual composition of maps of spans. Horizontal composition is given by the composition of strategies  $\odot$  (which extends to a functor on 2-cells via the functoriality of synchronized composition).

## Strategies—alternative description 1

A strategy  $S$  in a game  $A$  comprises a total map of event structures with polarity  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  such that

(i) whenever  $\sigma x \sqsubseteq^- y$  in  $\mathcal{C}(A)$  there is a unique  $x' \in \mathcal{C}(S)$  so that

$x \sqsubseteq x' \ \& \ \sigma x' = y$ , *i.e.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x & \dashv\sqsubseteq & x' \\ \sigma \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma \\ \sigma x & \sqsubseteq^- & y, \end{array}$$

and

(ii) whenever  $y \sqsubseteq^+ \sigma x$  in  $\mathcal{C}(A)$  there is a (necessarily unique)  $x' \in \mathcal{C}(S)$  so that

$x' \sqsubseteq x \ \& \ \sigma x' = y$ , *i.e.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x' & \dashv\sqsubseteq & x \\ \sigma \downarrow & & \downarrow \sigma \\ y & \sqsubseteq^+ & \sigma x. \end{array}$$

[ $\rightsquigarrow$  strategies as presheaves over “Scott order”  $\sqsubseteq =_{\text{def}} \sqsubseteq^+ \circ \supseteq^-$ .]

## Strategies—alternative description 2

A strategy  $S$  in a game  $A$  comprises a total map of event structures with polarity  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  such that

(i)  $\sigma x \xrightarrow{a} \subset$  &  $pol_A(a) = - \Rightarrow \exists! s \in S. x \xrightarrow{s} \subset$  &  $\sigma(s) = a$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ ,  $a \in A$ .

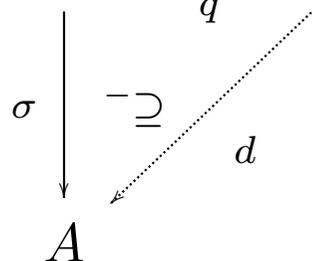
(ii)(+) If  $x \xrightarrow{e} \subset x_1 \xrightarrow{e'} \subset$  &  $pol_S(e) = +$  in  $\mathcal{C}(S)$  and  $\sigma x \xrightarrow{\sigma(e')} \subset$  in  $\mathcal{C}(A)$ , then  $x \xrightarrow{e'} \subset$  in  $\mathcal{C}(S)$ .

(ii)(−) If  $x \xrightarrow{e} \subset x_1 \xrightarrow{e'} \subset$  &  $pol_S(e') = -$  in  $\mathcal{C}(S)$  and  $\sigma x \xrightarrow{\sigma(e')} \subset$  in  $\mathcal{C}(A)$ , then  $x \xrightarrow{e'} \subset$  in  $\mathcal{C}(S)$ .

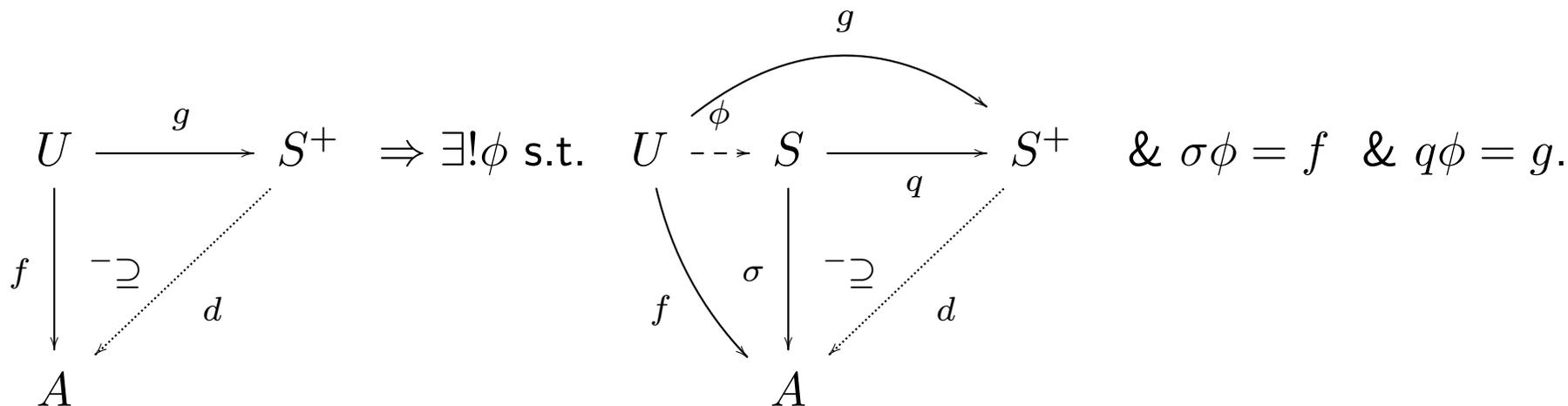
**Notation**  $x \xrightarrow{e} \subset y$  iff  $x \cup \{e\} = y$  &  $e \notin x$ , for configurations  $x, y$ , event  $e$ .  
 $x \xrightarrow{e} \subset$  iff  $\exists y. x \xrightarrow{e} \subset y$ .

## Strategies—alternative description 3, via just +-moves

A strategy  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  determines  $S \xrightarrow{q} S^+$  where  $q$  is projection and



$d : \mathcal{C}(S) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}(A)$  s.t.  $d(x) = \sigma[x]$ . Universal property showing  $d$  determines  $\sigma$ :



## Deterministic strategies

Say an event structures with polarity  $S$  is *deterministic* iff

$$\forall X \subseteq_{\text{fin}} S. \text{Neg}[X] \in \text{Con}_S \Rightarrow X \in \text{Con}_S,$$

where  $\text{Neg}[X] =_{\text{def}} \{s' \in S \mid \exists s \in X. \text{pol}_S(s') = - \ \& \ s' \leq s\}$ .

Say a strategy  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  is deterministic if  $S$  is deterministic.

**Proposition** An event structure with polarity  $S$  is deterministic iff  $x \xrightarrow{s} \subset \& x \xrightarrow{s'} \subset \& \text{pol}_S(s) = +$  implies  $x \cup \{s, s'\} \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ , for all  $x \in \mathcal{C}(S)$ .

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 $x \xrightarrow{e} \subset$  iff  $\exists y. x \xrightarrow{e} \subset y$ .

**Lemma** Let  $A$  be an event structure with polarity. The copy-cat strategy  $\gamma_A$  is deterministic iff  $A$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x \in \mathcal{C}(A). x \xrightarrow{a} \text{C} \ \& \ x \xrightarrow{a'} \text{C} \ \& \ pol_A(a) = + \ \& \ pol_A(a') = - \\ \Rightarrow x \cup \{a, a'\} \in \mathcal{C}(A). \quad (\ddagger) \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma** The composition  $\tau \odot \sigma$  of two deterministic strategies  $\sigma$  and  $\tau$  is deterministic.

**Lemma** A deterministic strategy  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  is injective on configurations (equivalently,  $\sigma : S \rightsquigarrow A$ ).

$\rightsquigarrow$  sub-bicategory **DetGames**, equivalent to an order-enriched category.

## Related work

**Ingenuous strategies** Deterministic concurrent strategies coincide with the *receptive* ingenuous strategies of and Melliès and Mimram.

**Closure operators** A deterministic strategy  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  determines a closure operator  $\varphi$  on  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(S)$ : for  $x \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(S)$ ,

$$\varphi(x) = x \cup \{s \in S \mid \text{pol}(s) = + \ \& \ \text{Neg}[\{s\}] \subseteq x\}.$$

The closure operator  $\varphi$  on  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(S)$  induces a *partial* closure operator  $\varphi_p$  on  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(A)$  and in turn a closure operator  $\varphi_p^\top$  on  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(A)^\top$  of Abramsky and Melliès.

**Simple games** “*Simple games*” of game semantics arise when we restrict **Games** to objects and deterministic strategies which are ‘tree-like’—alternating polarities, with conflicting branches, beginning with opponent moves.

**Stable spans, profunctors and stable functions** The sub-bicategory of **Games** where the events of games are purely +ve is equivalent to the bicategory of stable spans:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & S & \\
 \sigma_1 \swarrow & & \searrow \sigma_2 \\
 A^\perp & & B
 \end{array}
 \longleftrightarrow
 \begin{array}{ccc}
 & S^+ & \\
 \sigma_1^- \swarrow & & \searrow \sigma_2^+ \\
 A & & B,
 \end{array}$$

where  $S^+$  is the projection of  $S$  to its +ve events;  $\sigma_2^+$  is the restriction of  $\sigma_2$  to  $S^+$  is rigid;  $\sigma_1^-$  is a *demand map* taking  $x \in \mathcal{C}(S^+)$  to  $\sigma_1^-(x) = \sigma_1[x]$ .

Composition of stable spans coincides with composition of their associated profunctors.

When deterministic (and event structures are countable) we obtain a sub-bicategory equivalent to Berry's **dl-domains and stable functions**.

## Winning conditions

A *game with winning conditions* comprises

$$G = (A, W)$$

where  $A$  is an event structure with polarity and  $W \subseteq \mathcal{C}^\infty(A)$  consists of the *winning configurations* for Player.

Define the *losing conditions* to be  $L =_{\text{def}} \mathcal{C}^\infty(A) \setminus W$ .

[*Can generalize to winning, losing and neutral conditions.*]

## Winning strategies

Let  $G = (A, W)$  be a game with winning conditions.

A strategy in  $G$  is a strategy in  $A$ .

A strategy  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  in  $G$  is *winning (for Player)* if  $\sigma x \in W$ , for all +-maximal configurations  $x \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(S)$ .

[A configuration  $x$  is +-maximal if whenever  $x \xrightarrow{s} \subset$  then the event  $s$  has -ve polarity.]

*A winning strategy prescribes moves for Player to avoid ending in a losing configuration, no matter what the activity or inactivity of Opponent.*

## Characterization via counter-strategies

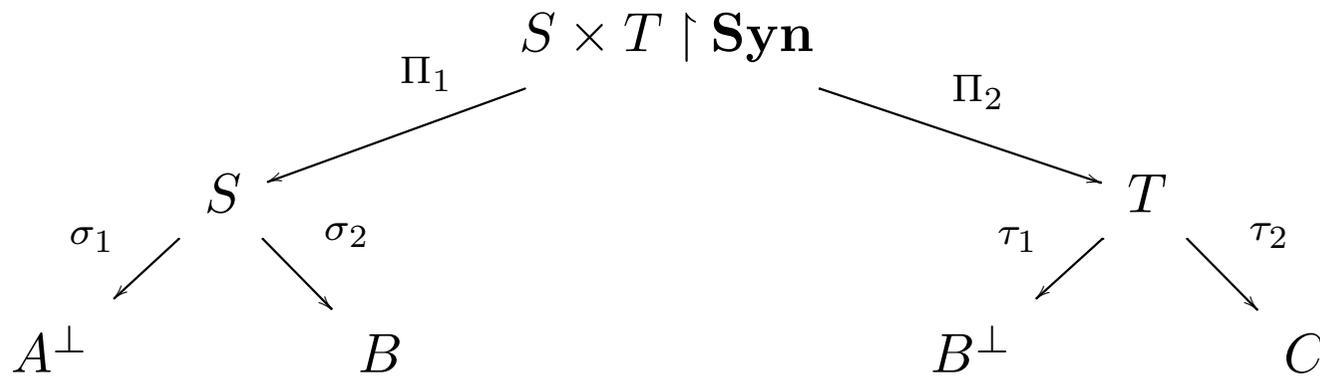
*Informally, a strategy is winning for Player if any play against a counter-strategy of Opponent results in a win for Player.*

*A counter-strategy, i.e. a strategy of Opponent, in a game  $A$  is a strategy in the dual game, so  $\tau : T \rightarrow A^\perp$ .*

What are the *results*  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$  of playing strategy  $\sigma$  against counter-strategy  $\tau$ ?

Note  $\sigma : \emptyset \rightarrow A$  and  $\tau : A \rightarrow \emptyset \dots$

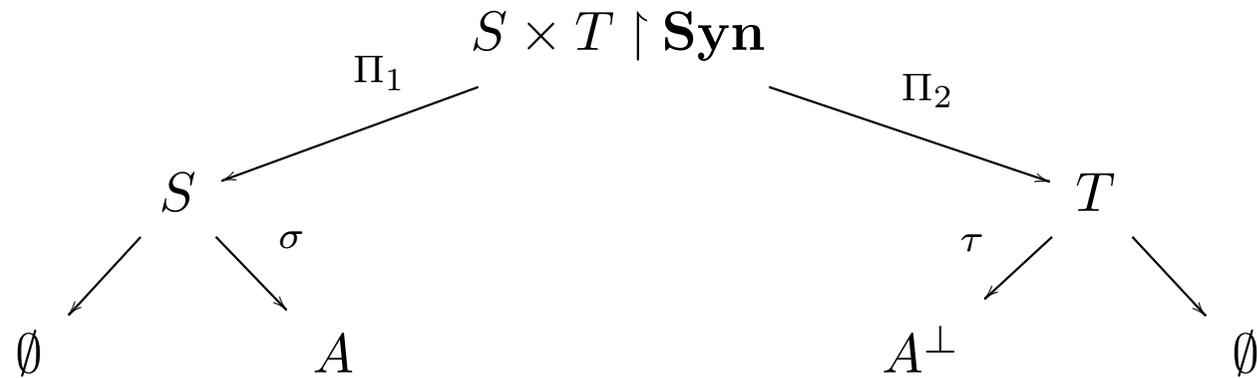
## Composition of pre-strategies without hiding



where

$$\begin{aligned}
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 & \{p \in S \times T \mid \tau_2 \Pi_2(p) \text{ is defined \& } \Pi_1(p) \text{ is undefined}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

## Special case



where

$$\mathbf{Syn} = \{p \in S \times T \mid \sigma\Pi_1(p) = \overline{\tau\Pi_2(p)} \text{ with both defined}\}.$$

Define **results**,  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle =_{\text{def}} \{\sigma\Pi_1 z \mid z \text{ is maximal in } \mathcal{C}^\infty(S \times T \upharpoonright \mathbf{Syn})\}.$

## Characterization of winning strategies

**Lemma** Let  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A$  be a strategy in a game  $(A, W)$ . The strategy  $\sigma$  is a winning for Player iff  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle \subseteq W$  for all (deterministic) strategies  $\tau : T \rightarrow A^\perp$ .

Its proof uses a key lemma:

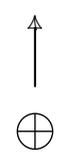
**Lemma** Let  $\sigma : S \rightarrow A^\perp \parallel B$  and  $\tau : B^\perp \parallel C$  be receptive pre-strategies. Then,

$z \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(S \times T \upharpoonright \mathbf{Syn})$  is +-maximal iff

$\Pi_1 z \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(S)$  is +-maximal &  $\Pi_2 z \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(T)$  is +-maximal.

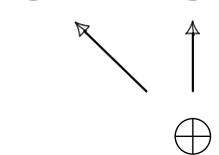
# Examples

$\ominus$  with  $W = \{\emptyset, \{\ominus, \oplus\}\}$  has a winning strategy.  $\ominus$  ,  $W = \{\{\oplus\}\}$  has not.

$\ominus \rightsquigarrow \oplus$  has a winning strategy only if  $W$  comprises all configurations.

$\ominus \rightsquigarrow \oplus$  the empty strategy is winning if  $\emptyset \in W$ .



## Operations on games with winning conditions

**Dual**  $G^\perp = (A^\perp, W_{G^\perp})$  where, for  $x \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(A)$ ,

$$x \in W_{G^\perp} \text{ iff } \bar{x} \notin W_G.$$

**Parallel composition** For  $G = (A, W_G)$ ,  $H = (B, W_H)$ ,

$$G \parallel H =_{\text{def}} (A \parallel B, W_G \parallel \mathcal{C}^\infty(B) \cup \mathcal{C}^\infty(A) \parallel W_H)$$

where  $X \parallel Y = \{\{1\} \times x \cup \{2\} \times y \mid x \in X \ \& \ y \in Y\}$  when  $X$  and  $Y$  are subsets of configurations. To win is to win in either game. Unit of  $\parallel$  is  $(\emptyset, \emptyset)$ .

## Derived operations

**Tensor** Defining  $G \otimes H =_{\text{def}} (G^\perp \parallel H^\perp)^\perp$  we obtain a game where to win is to win in both games  $G$  and  $H$ —so to lose is to lose in either game. More explicitly,

$$(A, W_A) \otimes (B, W_B) =_{\text{def}} (A \parallel B, W_A \parallel W_B).$$

The unit of  $\otimes$  is  $(\emptyset, \{\emptyset\})$ .

**Function space** With  $G \multimap H =_{\text{def}} G^\perp \parallel H$  a win in  $G \multimap H$  is a win in  $H$  conditional on a win in  $G$ :

**Proposition** Let  $G = (A, W_G)$  and  $H = (B, W_H)$  be games with winning conditions. Write  $W_{G \multimap H}$  for the winning conditions of  $G \multimap H$ . For  $x \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(A^\perp \parallel B)$ ,

$$x \in W_{G \multimap H} \text{ iff } \overline{x_1} \in W_G \Rightarrow x_2 \in W_H.$$

## The bicategory of winning strategies

**Lemma** Let  $\sigma$  be a winning strategy in  $G \multimap H$  and  $\tau$  be a winning strategy in  $H \multimap K$ . Their composition  $\tau \odot \sigma$  is a winning strategy in  $G \multimap K$ .

But copy-cat need not be winning: Let  $A$  consist of  $\oplus \rightsquigarrow \ominus$ . The event structure  $\mathbb{C}_A$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A^\perp & \ominus \longrightarrow \oplus & A \\
 & \{ \} & \{ \} \\
 & \oplus \longleftarrow \ominus & 
 \end{array}$$

Taking  $x = \{\ominus, \ominus\}$  makes  $x$  +-maximal, but  $\bar{x}_1 \in W$  while  $x_2 \notin W$ .

A robust sufficient condition for copy-cat to be winning: copy-cat is deterministic.  
*[The Aarhus lecture notes give a necessary and sufficient condition.]*

$\rightsquigarrow$  bicategory of games with winning strategies.

## Two applications

**Total strategies:** To pick out a subcategory of *total* strategies (where Player can always answer Opponent) within simple games.

**Determinacy of concurrent games:** A necessary condition on a game  $A$  for  $(A, W)$  to be determined for all winning conditions  $W$ : that copy-cat  $\gamma_A$  is deterministic. Not sufficient to ensure determinacy w.r.t. all Borel winning conditions. Think sufficient for determinacy if winning conditions  $W$  are *closed* w.r.t. local Scott topology, and in particular for finite games [*sketchy proof*].

There must be many more!

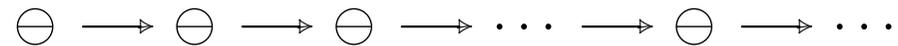
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**A next step:** *back-tracking* in games via “copying” monads in event structures with symmetry.

## Counterexamples to Borel determinacy

(1)  $\ominus \rightsquigarrow \oplus$  with  $W = \{\{\oplus\}\}$ , copy-cat is nondeterministic.

(2)



where Player wins iff

Opponent plays finite no. of  $\ominus$  moves and Player does nothing

or

Opponent plays all  $\ominus$  moves and Player the single  $\oplus$  move.