

# Globular PROs as Cartesian-Duoidal Enriched Monoidal Categories

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- In *Higher Operads, Higher Categories* (2004) Tom Leinster proposed a definition of weak  $\omega$ -categories as algebras for a specific monad.
  - I wanted to show that weak  $\omega$ -quandles could be expressed as algebras for a similar type of monad

**Consequently:** I found a way, using globular PROs, to find weak  $\omega$  versions of any algebraic theory.

# PROs

## Definition

A **PRO**  $P$  is a strict monoidal category whose object set is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{N}$  and whose monoidal product  $+$  :  $P \times P \rightarrow P$  is addition on objects.

- The homset  $P(n, m)$  are operations of arity  $n$  and coarity  $m$

# Algebras over a PRO

## Definition

An **algebra** for a PRO  $P$  in **Set** is a strict monoidal functor  $f : P \rightarrow \mathbf{Taut}(A)$ .

## The Tautological (Endomorphism) PRO $\mathbf{Taut}(A)$ on a Set $A$

- Objects are all cartesian powers of  $A$
- $\mathbf{Taut}(A)(n, m) = \mathbf{Set}(A^n, A^m)$
- Composition is function composition in **Set**
- Monoidal product is induced by the product structure on **Set**, which is 'addition on objects' since  $A^n \times A^m \cong A^{n+m}$

# Generalization

**Question:** How can we combine the globular pasting encoded by Leinster's globular operads and the cartesian algebraic structure encoded by classical PROs into a single object?

**Answer:** We can enrich over the category over which operads are built!

# Globular Sets

## Definition

A *globular set* is a contravariant functor  $G : \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ . The category **Glob** of globular sets is the category of presheaves on  $\mathbb{G}$ .

## Globular Sets

A globular set  $G = (\{G_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, \{s_G^n\}, \{t_G^n\})$  consists of a family of sets  $\{G_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  together with source and target maps  $s_G = \{s_G^n : G_n \rightarrow G_{n-1}\}$  and  $t_G = \{t_G^n : G_n \rightarrow G_{n-1}\}$  subject to the relations  $s_G^n \circ s_G^{n+1} = s_G^n \circ t_G^{n+1}$  and  $t_G^n \circ s_G^{n+1} = t_G^n \circ t_G^{n+1}$  in each dimension  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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A **collection** is a globular set  $X$  equipped with a globular set homomorphism  $x : X \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  called the arity map.

- The category **Col** is the slice category  $\mathbf{Glob}/\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$ 
  - This replaces numeric arities with ‘arity shapes’!

# Monoidal Structure in **Col**

## Definition

Let  $x : X \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  and  $y : Y \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  be a pair of collections. Their composition tensor product  $x \square y : X \square Y \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  is defined by the diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} X \square Y & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{T}(Y) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}(y)} & \mathcal{T}^2(\mathbf{1}) & \xrightarrow{\mu_1} & \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \mathcal{T}(!_Y) & & & & \\ X & \xrightarrow{x} & \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) & & & & \end{array}$$

where  $!_Y : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{1}$  is the unique map from  $Y$  to the terminal globular set. The underlying globular set  $X \square Y$  is the pullback of  $x$  and  $\mathcal{T}(!_Y)$  with the arity globular set map  $x \square y$  defined to be the composition along the top row.

# Two Monoidal Structures in **Col**

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## Cartesian Product

As a slice category, **Col** has a cartesian product defined as the pullback (in **Glob**) of two collection arity maps

- A product consists of ordered pairs of  $n$ -cells, all of which have the same 'arity shape' in  $\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$
- The monoidal unit for  $\times$  is the terminal collection  $\mathbb{1} : \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$

These two monoidal structures satisfy 'nice' compatibility axioms:

# Duoidal Category

## Definition - Batanin, Markl (2012)

A **duoidal category**  $(\mathcal{D}, \otimes, I, \odot, U, \delta, \phi, \theta, \boxplus)$  consists of a category  $\mathcal{D}$ , a pair of 2-variable functors  $\otimes : \mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$  and  $\odot : \mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ , a pair of unit objects  $I$  and  $U$ , three morphism  $\delta : I \rightarrow I \odot I$ ,  $\phi : U \otimes U \rightarrow U$ , and  $\theta : I \rightarrow U$  in  $\mathcal{D}$ , and a lax middle-four interchange natural transformation

$$\boxplus : \otimes(\odot(-, -), \odot(-, -)) \Rightarrow \odot(\otimes(-, -), \otimes(-, -))$$

$$\boxplus_{A,B,C,D} : [A \odot B] \otimes [C \odot D] \rightarrow [A \otimes C] \odot [B \otimes D]$$

such that

- $(\mathcal{D}, \otimes, I)$  and  $(\mathcal{D}, \odot, U)$  are both monoidal structures on  $\mathcal{D}$
- $U$  is a monoid object in  $(\mathcal{D}, \otimes, I)$  and  $I$  is a comonoid object in  $(\mathcal{D}, \odot, U)$

They are pseudomonoid in the category of monoidal categories and lax-monoidal functors.

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- The second monoidal structure from our duoidal category  $\mathcal{D}$  induces a monoidal structure on  $\mathcal{D}\mathbf{Cat}$ , the category of categories enriched over  $\mathcal{D}$ .

# Monoidal Structure on $\mathcal{DCat}$

## Definition

The tensor product

$$\oplus : \mathcal{DCat} \times \mathcal{DCat} \rightarrow \mathcal{DCat}$$

of  $\mathcal{D}$ -categories  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is given as the Cartesian product on objects and for  $A, B \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{E})$  and  $X, Y \in \text{Obj}(\mathcal{F})$  we have

$$\mathcal{E} \oplus \mathcal{F}((A, X), (B, Y)) := \mathcal{E}(A, B) \odot \mathcal{F}(X, Y)$$

as the hom-objects in  $\mathcal{E} \oplus \mathcal{F}$ , where  $\odot$  is the second monoidal structure on  $\mathcal{D}$ .

- The unit  $\mathcal{D}$ -category  $\mathbf{1}_{\oplus}$  for  $\oplus$  consists of a single object  $*$  and a single hom-object  $\mathbf{1}_{\oplus}(*, *)$  given by the monoidal unit  $U$  for the second monoidal structure in  $\mathcal{D}$ .

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A **cartesian-duoidal enriched monoidal category** is a pseudomonoid in  $(\mathcal{CCat}, \oplus, \mathbf{1}_{\oplus})$ , the monoidal category of categories duoidally enriched over a cartesian-duoidal category  $\mathcal{C}$ .

# Globular PROs

## Definition

A **globular PRO** is a cartesian-duoidal enriched monoidal category  $(\mathcal{P}, +, O)$  enriched over the cartesian-duoidal category **Col** such that

- The object set of  $\mathcal{P}$  is  $\mathbb{N}$
- The bifunctor  $+: \mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$  is addition on objects

## Definition

An **algebra for a globular PRO**  $\mathcal{P}$  is a strict monoidal **Col**functor  $F: \mathcal{P} \rightarrow GTaut(A)$  to the globular tautological PRO on a globular set  $A$ .

## PRO Globularization

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### Definition

Let  $P$  be any ordinary set PRO and consider the functor  $G_P : P \rightarrow \mathcal{P}$  which maps  $P$  to its globularization  $\mathcal{P}$ .

$$n \mapsto n$$

$$P(n, m) \mapsto \mathcal{P}(n, m) := P(n, m) \cdot \mathbb{1} = \coprod_{P(n, m)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$$

**Note:** We lift via the cartesian unit  $\mathbb{1} : \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  rather than the globular composition unit  $I : \mathbf{1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  (which is a sub-object) so that the pasting composition described by  $\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$  is combined with the operations lifted from  $P$ .

## PRO Globalization Induced Composition

For all  $n, m, p \in \mathbb{N}$  the hom-object  $\mathcal{P}(m, p) \sqcap \mathcal{P}(n, m)$  can be written

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(m, p) \sqcap \mathcal{P}(n, m) &= \left( \coprod_{P(m, p)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \right) \sqcap \left( \coprod_{P(n, m)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \right) = \\ \coprod_{P(m, p)} \left( \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \sqcap \left( \coprod_{P(n, m)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \right) \right) &= \coprod_{P(m, p)} \left( \coprod_{P(n, m)} (\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \sqcap \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})) \right) \\ &\cong \coprod_{P(m, p) \times P(n, m)} (\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \sqcap \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}))\end{aligned}$$

Which allows us to define

$$\circ_{n, m, p}^{\mathcal{P}} := \circ_{n, m, p}^P \cdot \phi : (P(m, p) \times P(n, m)) \cdot (\mathbb{1} \sqcap \mathbb{1}) \rightarrow P(n, p) \cdot \mathbb{1}$$

The cartesian unit  $\mathbb{1}$  is a monoid object with respect to  $\sqcap$  with multiplication  $\phi : \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \sqcap \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \rightarrow \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})$

## PRO Globalization Induced Addition

Similarly, for all  $n, m, l, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we can rewrite

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(n, m) \times \mathcal{P}(l, k) &= \left( \coprod_{P(n, m)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \right) \times \left( \coprod_{P(l, k)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \right) = \\ \coprod_{P(n, m)} \left( \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \times \left( \coprod_{P(l, k)} \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \right) \right) &= \coprod_{P(n, m)} \left( \coprod_{P(l, k)} (\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \times \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1})) \right) \\ &\cong \coprod_{P(n, m) \times P(l, k)} (\mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}) \times \mathcal{T}(\mathbf{1}))\end{aligned}$$

Allowing us to define

$$+^{\mathcal{P}}_{n, m, l, k} := +^P_{n, m, l, k} \cdot \Phi : (P(n, m) \times P(l, k)) \cdot (\mathbb{1} \times \mathbb{1}) \rightarrow P(n + l, m + k) \cdot \mathbb{1}$$

$$\Phi : \mathbb{1} \times \mathbb{1} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{1}$$

# Strict $\omega$ -structures

## How to Strict $\omega$ -ify Your Favorite Algebraic Theory

- Consider your favorite algebraic theory.
- Find a description of the PRO for that theory.
- Globularize the ordinary PRO.
- Algebras for the globularization are strict  $\omega$ -categorifications of the original theory.

# So Why Have We Really Done This?

Leinster's contractions naturally adapt to this situation.

## Definition

A **contraction structure** on a map  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  of globular sets is a choice of lifts for every cell  $\gamma \in Y$  whose boundary is the image of a pair of parallel cells in  $X$ .

## Definition

A **contraction structure on a globular PRO**  $\mathcal{P}$  is a map of globular PROs  $F : \mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}'$  such that each component  $F_{n,m} : P(n, m) \rightarrow P'(n, m)$  of its underlying **Col**-functor comes equipped with a specified contraction.

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- For any globular PRO  $\mathcal{P}$  this gives a functor
$$C_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P}) \rightarrow \mathbf{Cont}(\mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P}))$$
- The right adjoint that simply forgets the contraction structure

$$h_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathbf{Cont}(\mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})$$

## Two Key Structures on Globular PROs

The free monoid and free path category functors each have obvious right adjoints

- $\mathcal{W} : \mathbf{Mon}^{\mathbb{N}}\mathbf{ColGraph} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}$
- $\mathcal{U} : \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColCat} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}$

### Lemma

Given a globular PRO  $\mathcal{P}$ , the induced functors on slice categories

$$\overline{\mathcal{W}}_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathbf{Mon}^{\mathbb{N}}\mathbf{ColGraph}/_{\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/_{\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})}$$

and

$$\overline{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathcal{P}} : \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColCat}/_{\mathcal{P}} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/_{\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})}$$

are monadic over  $\mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/_{\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})}$ .

# The Free Globular PRO with Contraction Monad

We have three monadic functors:

- $h_P : \mathbf{Cont}(\mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})$
- $\overline{\mathcal{W}}_P : \mathbf{Mon}\mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P}) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})$
- $\overline{\mathcal{U}}_P : \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColCat}/\mathcal{P} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P})$

The pullback of which can be shown, using Kelly's theorem regarding algebraic colimits, to be monadic. We shall denote the monad constructed by this pullback

$$\mathfrak{G}_P : \mathbb{N}\mathbf{ColGraph}/\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{P}) \curvearrowright$$

It's algebras are globular PROs with contraction over  $\mathcal{P}$ .

The initial algebra for  $\mathfrak{G}_P$  is the globular PRO whose algebras are the fully weakened  $\omega$ -categorifications for the theory described by the classic PRO  $P$ !

Thank You

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