

THE WIRE CALCULUS

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PROCESS CALCULI

- CCS 80s, Pi 90s, ambients, ...
- **common features:**
 - syntactic expressions represent “processes”
 - dynamics a first class entity (eg prefix & + in CCS)
 - (structural) operational semantics
 - observational equivalence, (weak) bisimulation
 - (weak) bisimulation induces an algebra on syntactic terms
 - Dijkstra-Hoare-Milner parallel composition ||

ALGEBRA OF PROCESSES

- Milner's SOS:

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{a} P'}{P \parallel Q \xrightarrow{a} P' \parallel Q} \quad (\parallel L) \quad \frac{Q \xrightarrow{a} Q'}{P \parallel Q \xrightarrow{a} P \parallel Q'} \quad (\parallel R) \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{a} P' \quad Q \xrightarrow{\bar{a}} Q'}{P \parallel Q \xrightarrow{\tau} P' \parallel Q'} \quad (\text{PAR})$$

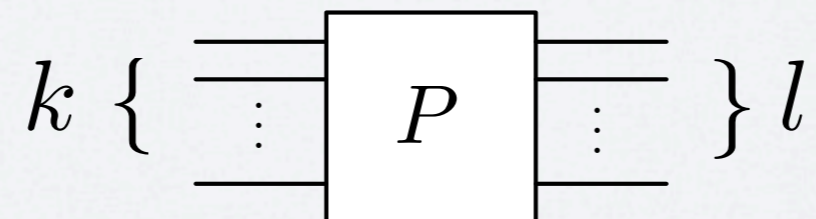
- what is the algebra induced by (weak) bisimilarity?
- the operation \parallel is a commutative monoid
 - ie. processes live in a “chemical soup”
 - is it always the case that **concurrent universe = chemical soup**?
- interleaving gives **concurrency = nondeterminism**, always reasonable?
 - implementation issues: \parallel is a very powerful scheduler

ANOTHER NOTION OF PROCESS

- Let Σ be a set of *signals* + silent action ι for int. computation
- for $k, l \in \mathbb{N}$ a (k, l) -transition is a labelled transition of the form

$$P \xrightarrow[\vec{b}]{\vec{a}} Q, \quad \#(\vec{a}) = k, \#(\vec{b}) = l$$

- any process in the wire calculus has a sort (k, l) and its semantics will be an LTS of (k, l) -transitions



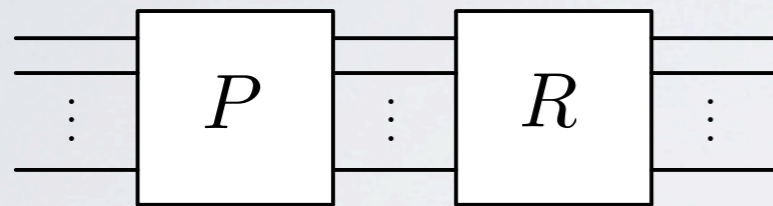
ANOTHER PARALLEL COMPOSITION

- processes are boxes with left and right boundary
- operators of the calculus allow us to specify & connect boxes
- labels have a monoidal structure (juxtaposition)

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{P} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \\ \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \boxed{Q} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \end{array} \end{array} \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow[\mathbf{b}]{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad R \xrightarrow[\mathbf{d}]{\mathbf{c}} S}{P \otimes R \xrightarrow[\mathbf{bd}]{\mathbf{ac}} Q \otimes S} \quad (\text{TEN})$$

- \otimes neither commutative nor interleaving

SYNCHRONISING ON BOUNDARY



$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}_{\mathbf{c}} Q \quad R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{c}}_{\mathbf{b}} S}{P;R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}_{\mathbf{b}} Q;S} \text{ (CUT)}$$

- non commutative
- don't confuse with seq composition in imperative prog langs

DYNAMICS - CHOICE

- CSP-like (\square) external choice

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad (\mathbf{ab} \neq \iota)}{P+R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \quad (+L) \qquad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad (\mathbf{ab} \neq \iota)}{R+P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \quad (+R)$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{\iota} Q \quad R \xrightarrow{\iota} S}{P+R \xrightarrow{\iota} Q+S} \quad (+\iota)$$

DYNAMICS - PREFIX

- signals live in some set Σ
- prefix strings: $M ::= \epsilon \mid x \mid \lambda x \mid \iota \mid \sigma \in \Sigma \mid MM$
- prefixes: $P ::= \dots \mid \frac{M}{M}P$
- $\frac{u}{v}P$ with λx in u or v binds free occurrences of x in P
- substitution: $\sigma : bd(\frac{u}{v}) \rightarrow \Sigma + \{\iota\}$

$$\frac{}{\frac{u}{v}P \xrightarrow[v|\sigma]{u|\sigma} P|\sigma} \text{ (PREF)}$$

Example: $\frac{\lambda x a}{\lambda y} P \xrightarrow{\beta}{\alpha} P[\alpha/x, \beta/y]$ for all $\alpha, \beta \in \Sigma$

DYNAMICS - RECURSION

$$\frac{P[\mu Y. P / Y] \xrightarrow[b]{a} Q}{\mu Y. P \xrightarrow[b]{a} Q} \quad (\text{REC})$$

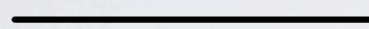
- Standard Plotkin SOS rule

EXAMPLE - BASIC WIRES

Picture

Expression

Behaviour



$$I \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{\lambda x}{\lambda x} Y$$

$$\frac{}{I \xrightarrow{a} I} \text{ (ID)}$$



$$d \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \overline{\lambda x \lambda x} Y$$

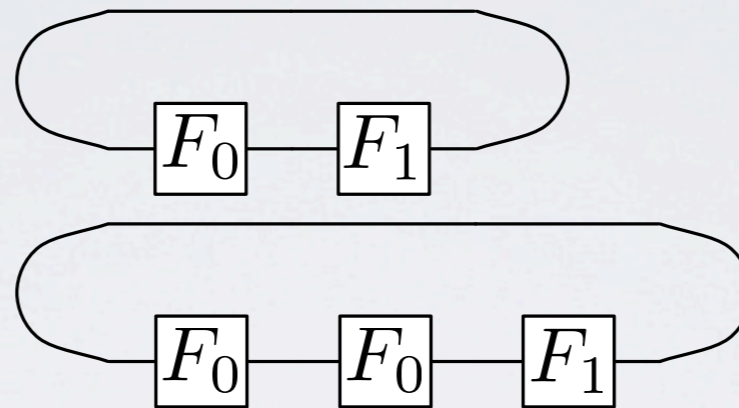
$$\frac{}{d \xrightarrow{a d} d} \text{ (d)}$$



$$e \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \underline{\lambda x \lambda x} Y$$

$$\frac{}{e \xrightarrow{a a} e} \text{ (e)}$$

CONCURRENCY RULES



$$\frac{}{P \xrightarrow{\iota} P} \text{ (REFL)}$$
 unconnected processes cannot block each other

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{\iota} R \quad R \xrightarrow{\frac{a}{b}} Q}{P \xrightarrow{\frac{a}{b}} Q} \text{ } (\iota\text{L}) \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\frac{a}{b}} R \quad R \xrightarrow{\iota} Q}{P \xrightarrow{\frac{a}{b}} Q} \text{ } (\iota\text{R})$$

processes are not assumed to run at the same speed

SUMMARY - THE WIRE CALCULUS

$$P ::= Y \mid P ; P \mid P \otimes P \mid \frac{M}{M} P \mid P + P \mid \mu Y : \tau . P$$

$$M ::= \epsilon \mid x \mid \lambda x \mid \iota \mid \sigma \in \Sigma$$

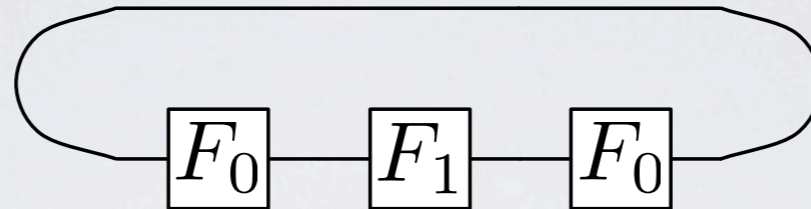
$$\frac{}{P \xrightarrow{\iota} P} \text{ (REFL)} \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\iota} R \quad R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q}{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \text{ (}\iota\text{L)} \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} R \quad R \xrightarrow{\iota} Q}{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \text{ (}\iota\text{R)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} S}{P ; R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q ; S} \text{ (CUT)} \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} S}{P \otimes R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{ac}} Q \otimes S} \text{ (TEN)}$$

$$\frac{}{\frac{u}{v} P \xrightarrow{u|\sigma} P|\sigma} \text{ (PREF)} \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad (\mathbf{ab} \neq \iota)}{P + R \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \text{ (+L)} \quad \frac{P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q \quad (\mathbf{ab} \neq \iota)}{R + P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \text{ (+R)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{\iota} Q \quad R \xrightarrow{\iota} S}{P + R \xrightarrow{\iota} Q + S} \text{ (+}\iota\text{)} \quad \frac{P[\mu Y . P / Y] \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q}{\mu Y . P \xrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} Q} \text{ (REC)}$$

EXAMPLE



$$\frac{}{F_0 \xrightarrow[0]{0} F_0} \text{ (0SET0)} \quad \frac{}{F_0 \xrightarrow[0]{1} F_1} \text{ (0SET1)} \quad \frac{}{F_0 \xrightarrow[\iota]{\iota} F_0} \text{ (0REFL)}$$

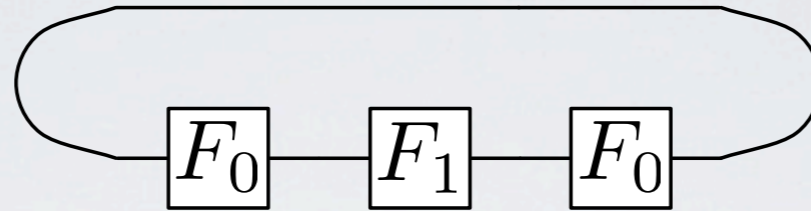
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Expressions

$$F_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{0}{0} Y + \frac{1}{0} \mu Z. \left(\frac{1}{1} Z + \frac{0}{1} Y \right) \quad F_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Z. \frac{1}{1} Z + \frac{0}{1} \mu Y. \left(\frac{0}{0} Y + \frac{1}{0} Z \right)$$

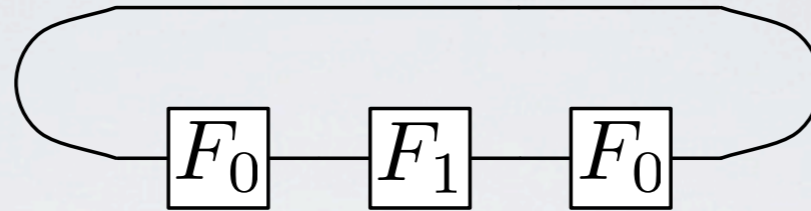
$$d ; I \otimes (F_0 ; F_1 ; F_0) ; e$$

EXAMPLE CTD



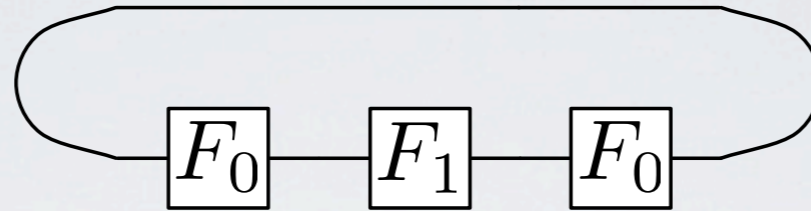
$$\frac{F_0 \xrightarrow[z]{x} X \quad F_1 \xrightarrow[y]{z} Y}{F_0; F_1 \xrightarrow[y]{x} X; Y} \text{ (CUT)} \quad \begin{array}{l} y = 1 \\ z = 0 \\ Y = F_0 \end{array}$$

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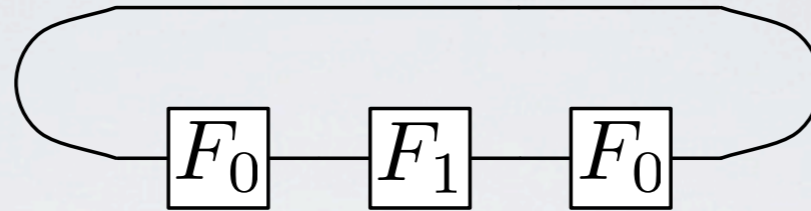


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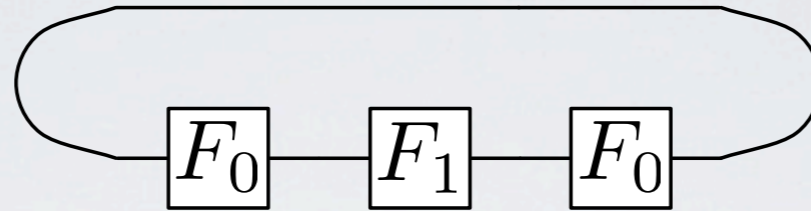
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$$\frac{}{I \otimes (F_0; F_1; F_0) \xrightarrow{wx} I \otimes (X; F_0; F_1)} \text{ } (\otimes)$$

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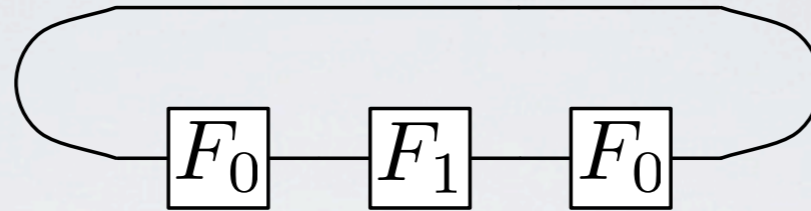
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$$\frac{}{I \otimes (F_0; F_1; F_0) \xrightarrow{w0} I \otimes (X; F_0; F_1)} \text{ } (\otimes)$$

$$\frac{}{(I \otimes (F_0; F_1; F_0)); e \xrightarrow{0x} I \otimes (X; F_0; F_1); e} \text{ (CUT)}$$

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$$\frac{}{d; (I \otimes (F_0; F_1; F_0)); e \rightarrow d; I \otimes (F_0; F_0; F_1); e} \text{ (CUT)}$$

BISIMILARITY

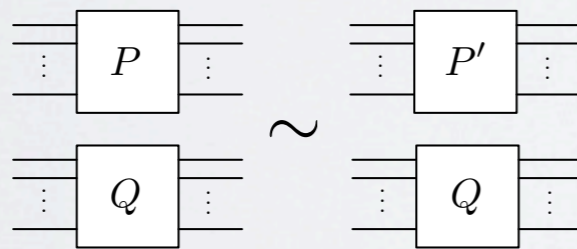
- bisimilarity = weak bisimilarity
- bisimilarity a congruence wrt all operators of the language

$$P, P' : (k, l) \quad Q : (m, n) \quad R : (l, l') \quad S : (k', k)$$

$$P \sim P'$$

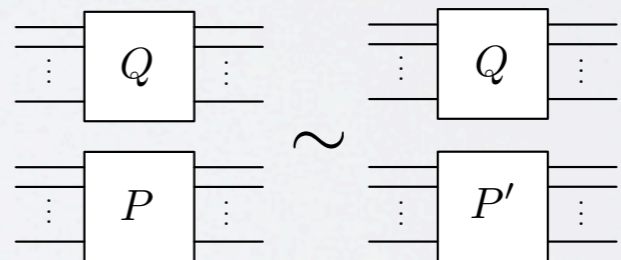


$$P \otimes Q \sim P' \otimes Q$$

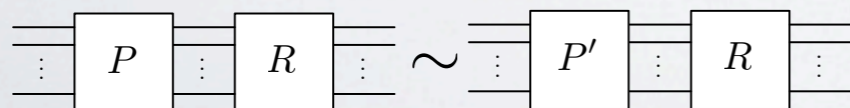


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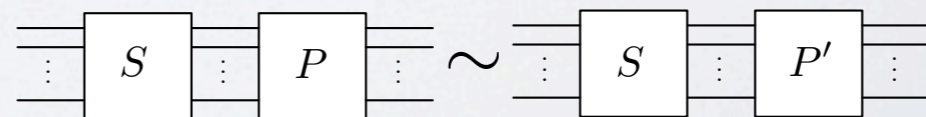
$$Q \otimes P \sim Q \otimes P'$$



$$P ; R \sim P' ; R$$



$$S ; P \sim S ; P'$$



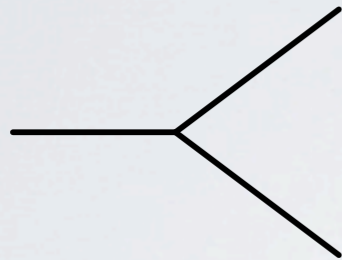
ALGEBRA

- what is the resulting algebra?
 - objects = natural numbers; arrows = equivalence classes wrt bisimilarity
 - a strictly associative monoidal category
 - d and e yield compact closed structure
- easy to define a directed variant of calculus
- See “*A non-interleaving process calculus for multi-party synchronisation*” in Proc. ICE '09

I'VE SEEN THIS ALL BEFORE!

- **related work** (incomplete!):
 - RFC Walters et al:
 - Span(**Graph**) - similar algebra, no SOS, dynamics not first class members of language
 - Gadducci Montanari et al:
 - tiles - similar algebra, same SOS for tensor and composition, dynamics not first class, less structure (more general) wrt weak issues
 - Abramsky et al:
 - interaction categories - similar SOS for tensor and composition, much more involved type structure
 - Arbab
 - Reo, etc: similar modelling style but has semantic issues, “user-defined” dynamics
 - Stefanescu
 - network algebra - monolithic, hard to tell what is primitive

OTHER WIRES



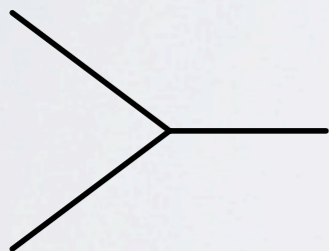
$$\Delta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{\lambda x}{\lambda x \lambda x} Y$$

$$\frac{}{\Delta \xrightarrow{a} \Delta} (\Delta)$$



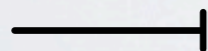
$$\top \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \bar{\lambda x} Y$$

$$\frac{}{\top \xrightarrow{a} \top} (\top)$$



$$\nabla \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{\lambda x \lambda x}{\lambda x} Y$$

$$\frac{}{\nabla \xrightarrow{a} \nabla} (\nabla)$$

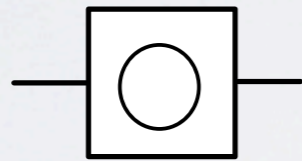


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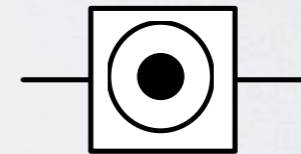
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PETRI NET PLACES

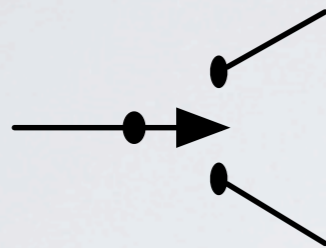
$$\bigcirc \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \overset{\bullet}{\underset{\iota}{\bigcirc}} \overset{\iota}{\bullet} Y$$



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OTHER WIRES



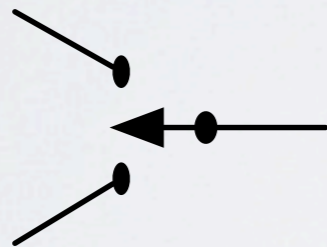
$$\Lambda \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{\lambda x}{\lambda x \iota} Y + \frac{\lambda x}{\iota \lambda x} Y$$

$$\frac{}{\Lambda \xrightarrow[a \iota]{a} \Lambda} (\Lambda L)$$



$$\uparrow \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y : (0, 1). Y$$

$$\frac{}{\uparrow \xrightarrow[\iota]{\iota} \uparrow} (\uparrow)$$



$$V \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{\lambda x \iota}{\lambda x} Y + \frac{\iota \lambda x}{\lambda x} Y$$

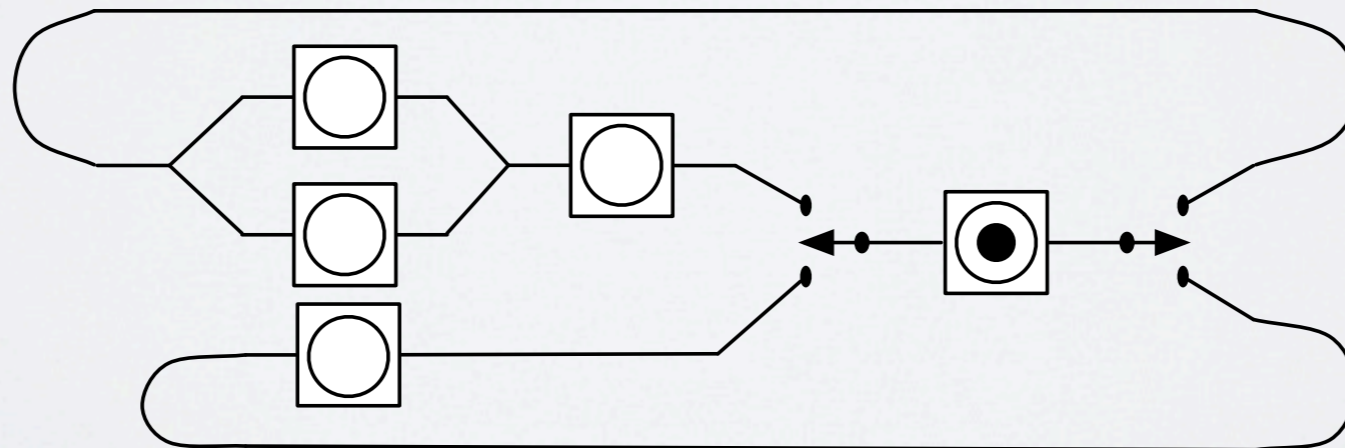
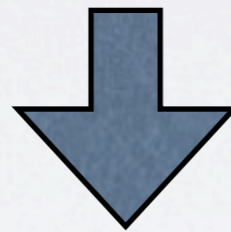
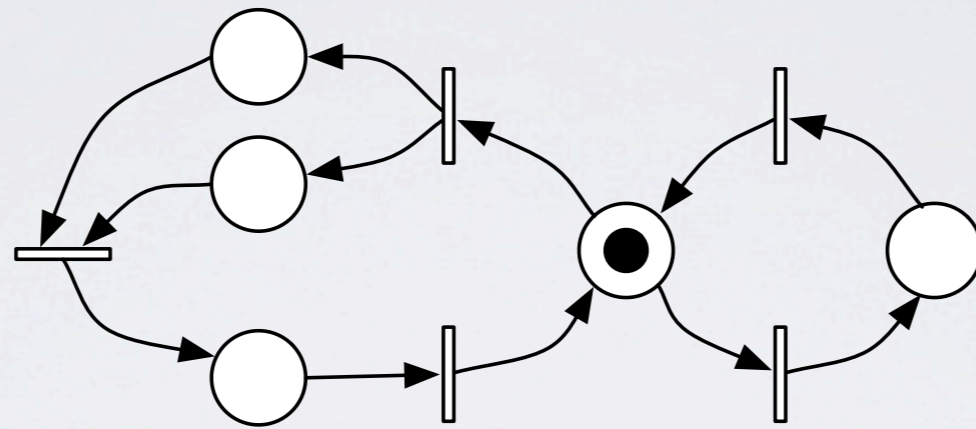
$$\frac{}{V \xrightarrow[a]{a \iota} V} (VL)$$



$$\downarrow \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y : (1, 0). Y$$

$$\frac{}{\downarrow \xrightarrow[\iota]{\iota} \downarrow} (\downarrow)$$

TRANSLATING NETS



FULL ABSTRACTION

$$M \xrightarrow{e} M' \quad \Rightarrow \quad \llbracket M \rrbracket \rightarrow \llbracket M' \rrbracket$$

$$\llbracket M \rrbracket \rightarrow P$$

$$\exists M'. \llbracket M' \rrbracket = P \ \& \ (M' = M \ \vee \ \exists e_1, \dots, e_m. \xrightarrow{e_1} \dots \xrightarrow{e_m} M')$$

BUFFERS & QUEUES

(inspired by Selinger's Axioms for Asynchrony)

Unbounded buffer

$$\begin{array}{l}
 B_1 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\lambda x}{\iota} \frac{\iota}{\lambda x} 0 \\
 \mathcal{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. B_1 \mid Y
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 \boxed{\mathcal{B}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \\
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 \quad
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 \sigma \in \Sigma \\
 \hline
 C[X] \xrightarrow{\sigma} C[X+\sigma]
 \end{array}
 \quad
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 C[X+\sigma] \xrightarrow{\iota} C[X]
 \end{array}$$

Queue

$$\mathcal{Q} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu Y. \frac{\lambda x}{\iota} (Y ; \frac{\iota}{\lambda x} I)$$

CONCLUSION

- Wire-calculus: a process calculus that is fundamentally different from existing calculi yet shares many of their features
- mathematically interesting algebra
- future work
 - expressivity
 - continue Selinger's work on axioms for asynchrony