

What Monads Can and Cannot Do with a bit of Extra Time

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Powerset monad for non-determinism:

$$\langle \mathcal{P}, \eta_{\mathcal{P}}, \mu_{\mathcal{P}} \rangle \quad \{1^{(0)}, *(2)\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(X) = \{Y \mid Y \subseteq X \text{ finite}\}$$

$$\eta_{\mathcal{P}}(x) = \{x\}$$

$$\mu_{\mathcal{P}}(Y) = \bigcup Y$$

$$1 * x = x$$

$$x * (y * z) = (x * y) * z$$

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Distribution monad for probability:

$$\langle \mathcal{D}, \eta_{\mathcal{D}}, \mu_{\mathcal{D}} \rangle$$

$$\{+_{\rho}^{(2)} \mid \rho : [0, 1]\}$$

$$\mathcal{D}(X) = \{\mu \mid \mu \text{ has finite support}\}$$

$$\eta_{\mathcal{D}}(x) = \delta_x$$

$$\mu_{\mathcal{D}}(Y) = \text{sum via weighted average}$$

$$x +_1 y = x$$

$$x +_{\rho} x = x$$

$$x +_{\rho} y = y +_{(1-\rho)} x$$

$$(x +_{\rho} y) +_{\rho} z = x +_{\rho} (y +_{\frac{\rho-pq}{1-pq}} z)$$

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For recursion / computation steps

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(iteration)

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Sequential computation is a distributive law for $\mathcal{ML} \rightarrow \mathcal{LM}$ for \mathcal{M} presented by balanced equations.

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 \end{array}$$

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Parallel Computation

So what went wrong?

Nothing specific to Powerset!

Only ingredient: “structure with two elements”.

Theorem

*Parallel computation is **never** a distributive law for $\mathcal{M}\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}\mathcal{M}$ if \mathcal{M} is presented by a theory with a binary term.*

No Hope for Powerset

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No Hope for Distribution

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{DL}(2) \xrightarrow{\lambda} \mathcal{LD}(2) & (\text{step now } x) +_p (\text{step now } y) \xrightarrow{\lambda} \text{step now?} \\
 \downarrow \mathcal{DLf} & \downarrow \mathcal{DLf} & \downarrow \mathcal{LDf} \\
 \mathcal{DL}(1) \xrightarrow{\lambda} \mathcal{LD}(1) & \delta(\text{step now } x) \xrightarrow{\lambda} \text{step now } \delta_x
 \end{array}$$

$$? = \delta_x \quad ? = \delta_y \quad ? = x +_q y$$

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Example in the paper.¹

¹Rasmus Møgelberg and Maaïke Zwart - What Monads Can and Cannot Do with a Bit of Extra Time. Doi: 10.4230/LIPIcs.CSL.2024.39

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Theorem

Parallel computation defines a distributive law $\mathcal{M}\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}\mathcal{M}$ up to weak bisimilarity, if \mathcal{M} is presented by a theory with no drop equations.

$$\checkmark x * x = x \quad \times x * y = x$$

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Free Distribution + Delay³

$$\mathcal{D}_{\diamond}^{\kappa}(A) \simeq \mathcal{D}(A + \triangleright^{\kappa} \mathcal{D}_{\diamond}^{\kappa}(A))$$

Free monad of convex algebras + delay algebra

$$x +_1 y = x$$

$$x +_{\rho} x = x$$

$$x +_{\rho} y = y +_{(1-\rho)} x$$

$$(x +_{\rho} y) +_q z = x +_{\rho q} \left(y +_{\frac{q-\rho q}{1-\rho q}} z \right)$$

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More in the papers!

- Combinations of Delay with Exceptions, Reader, State, Selection ...
- How to reason about probabilistic programs with $\mathcal{D}_{\diamond}^{\kappa}$.