

# Stability in a probabilistic setting

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Denotational semantics and intersection types are deeply related.

For instance, the points of the model **Rel** (sets and relations) of Linear Logic can be interpreted as (non-idempotent) intersection types.

This remains true of all models “based on **Rel**”: coherence spaces, hypercoherences, Scott semantics in prime-algebraic complete lattices.

Typically

$$\frac{\Gamma_0 \vdash M : [a_1, \dots, a_n] \multimap b \quad (\Gamma_i \vdash M : a_i)_{i=1}^n}{\sum_{i=0}^n \Gamma_i \vdash M N : b}$$

where contexts assign multisets of types to variables, and  $(\Gamma + \Delta)(x) = \Gamma(x) + \Delta(x)$  (sum of multisets).

This can be extended to probabilistic programming languages, using the model of Probabilistic Coherence Spaces (PCS) (Girard, Danos and E.).

$$\Gamma \vdash_{\alpha} M : a \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

Typically, if  $M$  is a probabilistic PCF closed term of ground type (integers, booleans), then  $\alpha$  is the probability of  $M$  to reduce to value  $a$ .

NB: this simple intuition is lost at higher type, where we can have  $\alpha > 1$ .

Let  $I$  be a finite or countable set.

If  $u, u' \in (\mathbb{R}^+)^I$ , set

$$\langle u, u' \rangle = \sum_{i \in I} u_i u'_i \in \overline{\mathbb{R}^+}$$

and if  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^+)^I$  then

$$\mathcal{F}^\perp = \{u' \in (\mathbb{R}^+)^I \mid \forall u \in \mathcal{F} \langle u, u' \rangle \leq 1\}.$$

PCS:  $X = (|X|, PX)$  where  $|X|$  countable and  $PX \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^+)^{|X|}$  such that  $PX = PX^{\perp\perp}$ .

Additional conditions to avoid  $\infty$  coefficients:

- $\forall a \in |X| \exists x \in PX \ x_a \neq 0$
- $\forall a \in |X| \{x_a \mid x \in PX\}$  bounded

Just as ordinary coherence spaces, PCS (with suitable linear morphisms generalizing stochastic matrices)

- are a model of full classical LL
- with fixpoints (hence a model of PCF etc)
- with fixpoints of types (hence contain various models of the pure lambda-calculus, of FPC, of CBPV with recursive types etc)
- 2nd order LL, polymorphism? (never explored)

All these languages extended with probabilistic primitives, for instance: random integers in a given range, (fair) coin etc.



Examples of type constructions:

- $|1| = \{*\}$ ,  $P1 = [0, 1]$
- $|X \& Y| = |X| + |Y|$  and  
 $P(X \& Y) = \{x \oplus y \mid x \in PX \text{ and } y \in PY\} \simeq PX \times PY$
- $|X \oplus Y| = |X| + |Y|$  and  
 $P(X \oplus Y) = \{px \oplus (1-p)y \mid x \in PX, y \in PY \text{ and } p \in [0, 1]\}$

So  $|1 \oplus 1| = \{\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{f}\}$  and

$$P(1 \oplus 1) = \{pt + qf \mid p, q \in \mathbb{R}^+, p + q \leq 1\}$$

$N = 1 \oplus N$  (“least” fixpoint) so that  $|N| = \mathbb{N}$  and  $PN$  is the set of sub-probability distributions on  $\mathbb{N}$ .

Similarly one defines probabilistic types of lists, trees, streams etc.

By standard LL/categorical considerations we know that we have a CCC: the “Kleisli category” of the “!” comonad that we have not described.

One defines  $X \Rightarrow Y$  by

- $|X \Rightarrow Y| = \mathcal{M}_{\text{fin}}(|X|) \times |Y|$
- If  $u \in (\mathbb{R}^+)^{|X|}$  and  $m \in \mathcal{M}_{\text{fin}}(|X|)$ , set  $u^m = \prod_{a \in |X|} u_a^{m(a)}$
- Then  $t \in (\mathbb{R}^+)^{|X \Rightarrow Y|}$  is in  $P(X \Rightarrow Y)$  if for all  $u \in PX$ ,

$$\hat{t}(u) = \left( \sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}_{\text{fin}}(|X|)} t_{m,b} u^m \right)_{b \in |Y|} \in PY$$

NB: such a  $t$  defines therefore a function  $\hat{t} : PX \rightarrow PY$  and  $t$  is easily seen to be determined by this function ( $\hat{\hat{s}} = \hat{t} \Rightarrow s = t$ ).

These morphisms are stable under composition: this defines the CCC  $\mathbf{Pcoh}_1$ . In other words, given  $s \in P(X \Rightarrow Y)$  and  $t \in P(Y \Rightarrow Z)$ , there is  $t \circ s \in P(X \Rightarrow Z)$  such that

$$\widehat{t \circ s} = \widehat{t} \circ \widehat{s}$$

and there is an  $\text{Id} \in P(X \Rightarrow X)$ , given by  $\text{Id}_{[a],a} = 1$  and  $\text{Id}_{m,a} = 0$  if  $m \neq [a]$ . Of course  $\widehat{\text{Id}}(x) = x$ .

- The cartesian product of  $X$  and  $Y$  is  $X \& Y$ .
- The object of morphisms from  $X$  to  $Y$  is  $X \Rightarrow Y$ .

$PX$  is naturally ordered by:  $x \leq y$  if  $\forall a \in |X| \ x_a \leq y_a$ . Then  $PX$  is directed-complete (it is actually an  $\omega$ -continuous cpo).

For any  $s \in P(X \Rightarrow Y)$ , the function  $\hat{s}$  is Scott continuous, and hence we can interpret (e.g. PCF) fixpoint operators.

# Example of morphisms

A  $s \in P(1 \Rightarrow 1)$  is a family  $(s_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of elements of  $\mathbb{R}^+$  such that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n \leq 1$ , and the associated function is  $\hat{s} : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  given by  $\hat{s}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} s_n x^n$ .

Functions of this kind are

- very smooth (analytic)
- very monotonic (all derivatives are  $\geq 0$ )

Examples of such functions  $[0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ :  $f(x) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{x^2}{2}$ ,  
 $f(x) = 1 - \sqrt{1-x}$  (with an  $\infty$  derivative at  $x = 1$ ).

Completely similar characterization of  $s \in P((1 \& 1) \Rightarrow 1)$ .

The “weak parallel or”  $wpor : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$  defined by  $wpor(x, y) = x + y - xy$  is not a morphism (there is a negative coefficient).

NB: adding such a morphism to the model is incompatible with the fact that all morphisms are analytic and the presence of least fixpoints. Indeed we would be able to define a function  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by  $f(x) = wpor(x, f(x)) = x + f(x) - xf(x)$  as a least fixpoint. But then  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f(x) = 1$  if  $x > 0$  so  $f$  is not analytic.

A  $s \in P((1 \oplus 1) \Rightarrow 1)$  is a family  $(s_{n,m})_{n,m \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that

$$\forall p \in [0, 1] \quad \sum_{n,m \in \mathbb{N}} s_{n,m} p^n (1-p)^m \leq 1$$

For instance:  $f : P(1 \oplus 1) \rightarrow [0, 1]$  given by  $f(x) = 4x_t x_f$  is such a morphism because  $p \in [0, 1] \Rightarrow p(1-p) \leq \frac{1}{4}$ .

NB: this function is not definable in “PCF” (but the function  $f(x) = 2x_t x_f$  is).

NB: we have no “parallel or” function in the model (requires negative coefficients), but we have an analogue of Gustave’s function  $g \in P((1 \oplus 1) \& (1 \oplus 1) \& (1 \oplus 1) \Rightarrow 1)$  given by  $g(x, y, z) = x_t y_f + y_t z_f + z_t x_f$ . But  $\frac{1}{2}g$  is definable whereas no  $\varepsilon wpor$  (for  $\varepsilon > 0$ ) is!

# Main properties of this model

For probabilistic PCF (and its extensions with recursive types etc):

- Adequacy: if  $\vdash M : \iota$ , then the interpretation  $[M]$  of  $M$ , which is an element of  $\text{PN}$  ( $\iota$  is interpreted as the PCS  $\mathbb{N}$ ) satisfies:  
For all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $[M]_n$  is the probability of  $M$  to reduce to  $\underline{n}$ .
- Equational full abstraction: semantical equality  $\Rightarrow$  observational equivalence (same probability to reduce to  $\underline{0}$  in any context of ground type  $\iota$ ).

Inequational full abstraction fails for the standard order of the model:  $x, y \in \text{PX}$  satisfy  $x \leq y$  if  $\forall a \in |X| x_a \leq y_a$ .



# Major limitation of PCS: no “continuous” types

Main limitation of this model: apparently, does not allow to interpret “continuous types” like the real line  $\mathbb{R}$  (very important for the semantics of Machine Learning oriented languages).

Idea to overcome it: our morphisms are functions acting on the cpos  $PX$ . Introduce more general such cpos and find a notion of morphisms generalizing those of PCS.

# The cone generated by a PCS

Given a PCS  $X$  we can consider its associated “cone”  $C(X)$ : the set of all  $x \in (\mathbb{R}^+)^{|X|}$  such that  $\varepsilon x \in PX$  for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then

- $C(X)$  is an  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -semi module: if  $x, y \in C(X)$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$  then  $\alpha x + \beta y = (\alpha x_a + \beta y_a)_{a \in |X|} \in C(X)$  (with the usual algebraic properties).
- The canonical order relation can be defined by:  $x \leq y$  if there is  $z \in C(X)$  such that  $y = x + z$ .
- There is a “norm”  $\| \_ \| : C(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  defined by  $\|x\| = \sup_{x' \in PX^\perp} \langle x, x' \rangle$  which satisfies  $\|\alpha x\| = \alpha \|x\|$ ,  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  and  $x \leq y \Rightarrow \|x\| \leq \|y\|$ .
- Any monotonic bounded sequence of elements of  $C(X)$  has a least upper bound.

$C(X)$  is a kind of “order complete positive Banach space”.

We generalize this situation. A *cone* (many similar notions can be found in the literature) is an  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -semi module  $P$  (there are operations  $+$  and  $\mathbb{R}^+$  scalar multiplication satisfying the usual laws) equipped with a function  $\|_P : P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  such that:

- $x + y = x' + y \Rightarrow x = x'$  (simplifiability).
- $\|\alpha x\|_P = \alpha \|x\|_P$ ,  $\|x + y\|_P \leq \|x\|_P + \|y\|_P$  and  $\|x\|_P = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$  ( $\|_P$  is a norm).
- Defining  $x \leq y$  by  $\exists z y = x + z$ , we have  $\|x\|_P \leq \|y\|_P$  (monotonicity of the norm).
- Any sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  of elements of  $P$  such that  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} x_n \leq x_{n+1}$  and  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{R}^+ \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \|x_n\|_P \leq \alpha$  (the sequence is bounded) has a lub  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x_n \in P$ .

If  $x \leq y$ , there is a unique  $z$  such that  $x + z = y$ , by simplifiability.

This  $z$  is denoted as  $y - x$ .

This subtraction, when defined, satisfies all the usual algebraic laws.

# Main motivating examples of cones

- For any PCS  $X$ ,  $C(X) = \{x \in (\mathbb{R}^+)^{|X|} \mid \exists \varepsilon > 0 \ \varepsilon x \in PX\}$  is a cone with  $\|x\|_{C(X)} = \sup_{x' \in PX} \langle x, x' \rangle$ .
- Let  $(\mathcal{X}, \Sigma_{\mathcal{X}})$  be a measurable space. We define a cone  $\text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})$  as the set of all  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -valued measures  $\mu$  on  $\Sigma_{\mathcal{X}}$  (in particular  $\mu(\mathcal{X}) < \infty$ ). Algebraic operations defined in the obvious way.  $\|\mu\|_{\text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})} = \mu(\mathcal{X})$ .

# What morphisms?

Unit ball of  $P$ :  $\mathcal{B}P = \{x \in P \mid \|x\|_P \leq 1\}$ .

It is a poset where all monotone sequences have a lub (we do not consider uncountable directed subsets because we will have to use the Monotone Convergence Theorem at some point).

By analogy with PCS, a morphism from  $P$  to  $Q$  should be a Scott continuous function  $\mathcal{B}P \rightarrow \mathcal{B}Q$ .

But this category is not a CCC.

The problem is that the curried version  $wpor'$  of  $wpor : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  should be a monotonic function  $[0, 1] \rightarrow P$  where  $P$  is a cone of Scott continuous functions  $[0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ . Remember  $wpor(x, y) = x + y - xy$ .

We should have  $wpor'(0) \leq wpor'(1)$  in this cone  $P$  where the operations are defined pointwise.

But  $f = wpor'(1) - wpor'(0) : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is the function defined by  $f(y) = 1 - y$  which is not monotonic.

Let  $P$  be a cone and  $u \in \mathcal{BP}$ .

We define a new cone  $P_u$  as follows

- $P_u = \{x \in P \mid \exists \varepsilon > 0 \ \varepsilon x + u \in \mathcal{BP}\}$
- algebraic operations defined as in  $P$ .
- $\|x\|_{P_u} = \inf\{1/\varepsilon \mid \varepsilon > 0 \text{ and } \varepsilon x + u \in \mathcal{BP}\}$

Fact:  $P_u$  is a cone.

Observe that  $\mathcal{B}(P_u) = \{x \in P \mid x + u \in \mathcal{BP}\} \subseteq \mathcal{BP}$ .



Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be cones and  $f : \mathcal{B}P \rightarrow Q$ .

Assume that  $f$  is monotonic. Then, given  $u \in \mathcal{B}P$ , we have  $\forall x \in \mathcal{B}(P_u) f(x) \leq f(x + u)$ .

So we can define a function  $\Delta f(\_ ; u) : \mathcal{B}(P_u) \rightarrow Q$  by  $\Delta f(x; u) = f(x + u) - f(x)$ . We require this function to be also monotonic.

Given  $v \in \mathcal{B}P$  such that  $u + v \in \mathcal{B}P$ , we can consider the function  $\Delta f(\_ ; u, v) : \mathcal{B}(P_{u,v}) \rightarrow Q$  given by  $\Delta f(x; u, v) = \Delta(\Delta f(\_ ; u))(x; v) = f(x + u + v) - f(x + u) - f(x + v) + f(x)$ . We require this function to be also monotonic.

And the same for all functions  $\Delta f(\_ ; u_1, \dots, u_n)$  for  $u_1, \dots, u_n \in \mathcal{B}P$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^n u_i \in \mathcal{B}P$ .

Third iterated difference:

$$\Delta f(x; u_1, u_2, u_3) = f(x + u_1 + u_2 + u_3) - f(x + u_1 + u_2) - f(x + u_1 + u_3) - f(x + u_2 + u_3) + f(x + u_1) + f(x + u_2) + f(x + u_3) - f(x).$$

More generally, if  $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{BP}^n$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n u_i \in \mathcal{BP}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{B}(P_{\vec{u}})$  and  $\varepsilon \in \{+, -\}$ , one defines

$$\Delta^\varepsilon f(x; \vec{u}) = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{P}_\varepsilon(n)} f(x + \sum_{i \in I} u_i) \in Q$$

where  $\mathcal{P}_+(n)$  (resp.  $\mathcal{P}_-(n)$ ) is the set of all  $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $n - \#I$  is even (resp odd).

## Definition

The function  $f : \mathcal{BP} \rightarrow Q$  is *absolutely monotonic* if, for all  $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{BP}^n$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n u_i \in \mathcal{BP}$  and  $x \in \mathcal{BP}_{\vec{u}}$ , one has

$$\Delta^- f(x; \vec{u}) \leq \Delta^+ f(x; \vec{u})$$

Then we set  $\Delta f(x; \vec{u}) = \Delta^+ f(x; \vec{u}) - \Delta^- f(x; \vec{u})$ . This generalizes our previous examples, and the function  $\Delta f(\_ ; \vec{u})$  is monotonic.

## Definition

The function  $f : \mathcal{BP} \rightarrow Q$  is *stable* if it is absolutely monotonic, bounded (that is  $\exists \alpha \forall x \in \mathcal{BP} \|f(x)\|_Q \leq \alpha$ ) and Scott continuous, that is:

For all monotonic sequence  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{BP}$ , one has  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f(x_n) = f(\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} x_n)$ .

# The cone of stable functions

We define a cone  $P \Rightarrow Q$  as follows.

- The elements of  $P \Rightarrow Q$  are the stable functions  $\mathcal{B}P \rightarrow Q$ .
- Addition and scalar multiplication are defined pointwise ( $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$  and  $(\alpha f)(x) = \alpha f(x)$ ; these functions are stable by linearity of the operators  $\Delta^\varepsilon_{-}(x; \vec{u})$ ).
- $\|f\|_{P \Rightarrow Q} = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{B}P} \|f(x)\|_Q$ .

Then  $f \leq g$  is equivalent to the following condition: for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , all  $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{B}P^n$  such that  $\sum u_i \in \mathcal{B}P$  and all  $x \in \mathcal{B}(P_{\vec{u}})$ , one has

$$\Delta f(x; \vec{u}) \leq \Delta g(x; \vec{u})$$

that is

$$\Delta^+ f(x; \vec{u}) + \Delta^- g(x; \vec{u}) \leq \Delta^- f(x; \vec{u}) + \Delta^+ g(x; \vec{u})$$

If  $f \in \mathcal{B}(P \Rightarrow Q)$  then  $f : \mathcal{B}P \rightarrow \mathcal{B}Q$ .

## Theorem

*Let  $f \in \mathcal{B}(P \Rightarrow Q)$  and  $g \in \mathcal{B}(Q \Rightarrow R)$ . Then  $g \circ f \in \mathcal{B}(P \Rightarrow R)$ .*

The proof is not straightforward because morphisms are not defined by a preservation property (like Scott continuity of Berry stability).

So we have a category **Cstab** whose objects are the cones and morphisms, the stable functions.

## Intermezzo: why do we call these functions “stable”?

Reminder: a coherence space is a structure  $E = (|E|, \circlearrowright_E)$  where  $|E|$  is a countable set and  $\circlearrowright_E$  is a binary, reflexive and symmetric relation on  $|E|$ .

Cliques of  $E$ :  $\text{Cl}(E) = \{x \subseteq |E| \mid \forall a, a' \in x \ a \circlearrowright_E a'\}$ .

$(\text{Cl}(E), \subseteq)$  is a cpo, any subset of a clique is a clique.

A function  $f : Cl(E) \rightarrow Cl(F)$  is stable if it is monotonic, Scott continuous and “conditionally multiplicative”, that is:

$$\forall x, x' \in Cl(E) \quad x \cup x' \in Cl(E) \Rightarrow f(x \cap x') = f(x) \cap f(x')$$

Let  $f, g : Cl(E) \rightarrow Cl(F)$  be stable.  
 $f$  is stably less than  $g$  ( $f \leq g$ ) if

$$\forall x, x' \in Cl(E) \quad x \subseteq x' \Rightarrow f(x) = f(x') \cap g(x)$$



Let  $E$  be a coherence space. If  $u \in \text{Cl}(E)$ , define a “local” coherence space  $E_u$  as follows:

$|E_u| = \{a \in |E| \setminus u \mid \forall a' \in u \ a \circ_E a'\}$ . So if  $x \in \text{Cl}(E_u)$ ,  $x + u$  (disjoint union) is in  $\text{Cl}(E)$ .

Let  $f : \text{Cl}(E) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(F)$  be a function and  $u \in \text{Cl}(E)$ . We define

$\Delta f(\_ ; u) : \text{Cl}(E_u) \rightarrow \text{Cl}(F)$  by

$\Delta f(x ; u) = f(x + u) \setminus f(x) \in \text{Cl}(F)$ .

## Theorem

A Scott continuous function  $f : Cl(E) \rightarrow Cl(F)$  is stable iff for all  $u \in Cl(E)$ , the function  $\Delta f(\_ ; u) : Cl(E_u) \rightarrow Cl(F)$  is monotonic.

If  $f$  is stable, then  $\Delta f(\_ ; u) : Cl(E_u) \rightarrow Cl(F)$  is also stable.

So there is no need to consider  $\Delta f(x; u_1, \dots, u_n)$  for  $n \geq 2$ : the corresponding conditions are redundant (this due to the idempotency of union).

## Theorem

Let  $f, g : Cl(E) \rightarrow Cl(F)$  be stable functions.

One has  $f \leq g$  (for the stable order) iff

- $\forall x \in Cl(E) \ f(x) \subseteq g(x)$
- $\forall u \in Cl(E) \forall x \in Cl(E_u) \ \Delta f(x; u) \subseteq \Delta g(x; u)$ .

The cartesian product is defined in the obvious way:  $P \times Q$  with norm defined by  $\|(x, y)\|_{P \times Q} = \max(\|x\|_P, \|y\|_Q)$ .

We have already defined the cone  $P \Rightarrow Q$ . The evaluation map  $\text{Ev} : (P \Rightarrow Q) \times P \rightarrow Q$  is defined by  $\text{Ev}(f, x) = f(x)$ . It is stable.

If  $f : \mathcal{B}R \times \mathcal{B}P \rightarrow \mathcal{B}Q$  is stable, it is a very nice exercise to prove that the function  $\Lambda(f) : \mathcal{B}R \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(P \Rightarrow Q)$  defined as usual by  $\Lambda(f)(z)(x) = f(z, x)$  takes actually its values in  $\mathcal{B}(P \Rightarrow Q)$  and is stable.

Types of our target language are interpreted as cones. There is a type  $\rho$  of real numbers, and  $[\rho] = \text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})$  (with respect to the standard Lebesgue  $\sigma$ -algebra). For simplicity,  $\rho$  is our unique ground type.

A closed term  $M$  such that  $\vdash M : \rho$  will be interpreted as an element  $[M]$  of  $\mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R}))$ , that is, as a sub-probability measure.

For each  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ , there is a constant  $\underline{r}$  of our language  $\vdash \underline{r} : \rho$ . We set  $[\underline{r}] = \delta_r \in \mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R}))$ .

There is also a constant  $\vdash \text{sample} : \rho$ . Intuitively,  $\text{sample}$  draws a real number in  $[0, 1]$  with uniform probability.

The language is CBN but has a “let” construct *restricted to the ground type of real numbers* (we omit contexts for readability):

$$\frac{\vdash M : \rho \quad x : \rho \vdash N : \sigma}{\vdash \text{let } x = M \text{ in } N : \sigma}$$

This construction is crucial: it draws a real number  $r$  according to the sub-probability measure defined by  $M$  and reduces to  $N[\underline{r}/x]$ .

In our model **Cstab**:  $\mu = [M]$  is an element of  $\mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R}))$ . And  $[N]_x : \mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})) \rightarrow [\sigma]$  is a stable function.

So we have a function  $\gamma : [N]_x \circ \delta : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [\sigma]$  where  $\delta$  is the function  $r \mapsto \delta_r$ . We have  $\gamma(r) = [N[\underline{r}/x]]$  (by Substitution Lemma).

So we would like to set

$$[\text{let } x = M \text{ in } N] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \gamma(r) \mu(dr) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} [N]_x (\delta_r) \mu(dr)$$

This integral does not make sense *a priori* for two reasons:

- We don't know how to integrate functions ranging in an arbitrary cone, but this is not a serious issue because  $\sigma = \sigma_1 \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \sigma_k \rightarrow \rho$  and so we can replace our problem with: given  $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{BP} \rightarrow \text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})$ , define  $\gamma_\mu : \mathcal{BP} \rightarrow \text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})$  by

$$\gamma_\mu(x)(U) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \gamma(r, x)(U) \mu(dr)$$

for  $U \in \Sigma_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

- More seriously, given  $x \in \mathcal{BP}$  and  $U \in \Sigma_{\mathbb{R}}$ , there is no reason *a priori* for the function  $r \mapsto \gamma(r, x)(U)$  (from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ ) to be measurable.

Our solution:

Equip all cones with a family of sets of “measurability tests”  $(M^n(P))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  where each element  $l$  of  $M^n(P)$  is a function  $l : \mathbb{R}^n \times P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  with the following properties:

- For each  $\vec{r} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the function  $x \mapsto l(\vec{r}, x)$  is linear (commutes with all linear combinations in  $P$ ) and Scott continuous from  $P$  to  $\mathbb{R}^+$ .
- For each  $x \in P$ , the function  $\vec{r} \mapsto l(\vec{r}, x)$  is measurable.
- For each measurable  $h : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $l \circ h \in M^k(P)$ .
- $0 \in M^n(P)$  for all  $n$ .



Next we say that a function  $\gamma : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow P$  is a *measurable path* if:

- $\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is bounded in  $P$
- and for all  $l \in M^k(P)$ , the function  $l * \gamma : \mathbb{R}^{k+n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  defined by  $(l * \gamma)(\vec{r}, \vec{s}) = l(\vec{r}, \gamma(\vec{s}))$  is measurable.

Last, a morphism  $P \rightarrow Q$  in our new category  $\mathbf{Cstab}_m$  is a stable function  $f : \mathcal{B}P \rightarrow \mathcal{B}Q$  such that, for any measurable path  $\gamma : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow P$ , the function  $f \circ \gamma$  is a measurable path.

Such an  $f$  will be called a stable measurable function.

# Construction of measurability tests

If  $\mathcal{X}$  is a measurable space, we equip  $\text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})$  with the following measurability tests:  $M^n(\text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})) = \{e_U \mid U \in \Sigma_{\mathcal{X}}\}$  where  $e_U(\vec{r}, \mu) = \mu(U)$  for  $\vec{r} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mu \in \text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})$ .

$P \Rightarrow Q$  is the cone of all stable and measurable functions  $\mathcal{B}P \rightarrow Q$ , and this cone is equipped with the following measurability tests:

- Given  $\gamma : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{B}P$  a measurable path and  $m \in M^n(Q)$ , we define  $\gamma \triangleright m : \mathbb{R}^n \times (P \Rightarrow Q) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  by  $(\gamma \triangleright m)(\vec{r}, f) = m(\vec{r}, f(\gamma(\vec{r})))$ .
- $M^n(P \Rightarrow Q)$  is the set of all these  $\gamma \triangleright m$ .

To prove the completeness property of  $P \Rightarrow Q$ , we need the Monotone Convergence Theorem, so we can consider only lubs of countable families. This is enough for fixpoints!

No surprise in the definition of  $P \times Q$ .

This defines a CCC **Cstab**<sub>m</sub> where we can interpret our target language and prove an adequacy theorem.

This solves indeed our integration problem.

$$\frac{\vdash M : \rho \quad x : \rho \vdash N : \sigma}{\vdash \text{let } x = M \text{ in } N : \sigma}$$

We take  $\sigma = \rho$  to simplify a bit the notations.

- $\mu = [M] \in \mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R}))$ ,
- $f = [N]_x : \mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R}))$  is stable and measurable.

The map  $\delta : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $\delta(r) = \delta_r$  is a measurable path, because, for any  $U \in \Sigma_{\mathbb{R}}$ , the test  $e_U \in M^n(\text{Meas}(\mathbb{R}))$  satisfies:

$$(e_U * \delta)(\vec{r}, r) = e_U(\vec{r}, \delta(r)) = \delta_r(U) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r \in U \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

so  $e_U * \delta$  is measurable since  $U \in \Sigma_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

Because  $f$  is (stable) measurable, it follows that  $f \circ \delta : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})$  is a measurable path which means that for all  $U \in \Sigma_{\mathbb{R}}$ , the function

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R} &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+ \\ r &\mapsto f(\delta_r)(U) \end{aligned}$$

is measurable.

So we can define  $[\text{let } x = M \text{ in } N] \in \text{Meas}(\mathbb{R})$  as the measure  $\nu$  given by

$$\nu(U) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(\delta_r)(U) \mu(dr)$$

# Conclusion: a few questions

- Conjecture: this is an equationally fully abstract model of our “real probabilistic PCF” target language.
- We have a natural notion of measurable linear maps on cones. Does it give rise to a model of ILL? Probably. Of classical LL? Probably not, but can we find a class of measurable cones for which it is true, and which contains the cones  $\text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})$ ?
- Representation theorem for a sufficiently large class of cones (including  $\text{Meas}(\mathcal{X})$ ), typically replacing the webs  $|X|$  of PCS with more structured spaces? Related to the previous question. This seems a crucial step in the development of an “intersection type systems” adapted to languages with continuous data types like  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- Probabilistic sequentiality, strong stability?
- Connection with other approaches (in particular: Staton quasi-Borel spaces, Keimel and Plotkin Kegelspitzen)?