

Free models of enriched T-algebraic theories computed as Kan extensions

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The tensor algebra

Let k denote a commutative ring. To every k -module A is associated the **tensor algebra**

$$TA = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A^{\otimes n}$$

computed as infinite sum of tensorial powers.

Furthermore, this construction is **functorial**

$$T : k\text{-Mod} \longrightarrow k\text{-Alg}$$



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$$k \xrightarrow{e} M \xleftarrow{m} M \otimes M$$

called **unit** and **multiplication**, making the diagrams below commute:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} M \otimes M \otimes M & \xrightarrow{m \otimes M} & M \otimes M \\ \downarrow M \otimes m & & \downarrow m \\ M \otimes M & \xrightarrow{m} & M \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} k \otimes M & \xrightarrow{e \otimes M} & M \otimes M & \xleftarrow{M \otimes e} & M \otimes k \\ & \searrow \cong & \downarrow m & \swarrow \cong & \\ & & M & & \end{array}$$

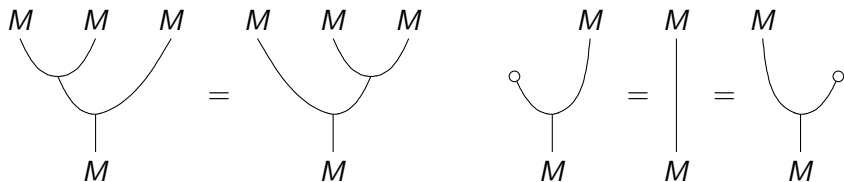


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The tensor algebra as a free monoid

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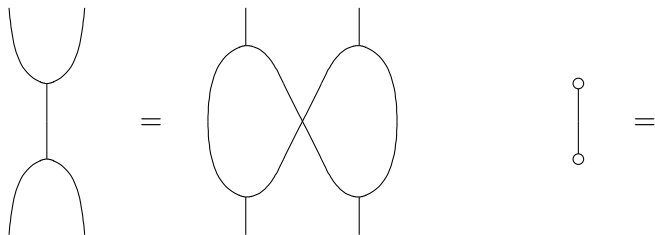
($k\text{-Mod}$ seen as a monoidal category equipped with the familiar tensor product \otimes of k -modules)

The k -algebra TA is the free monoid object in the category $k\text{-Mod}$



A basic problem in algebra


A k -bialgebra H is a k -module equipped with a k -algebra and a k -cogebra structure, making the **bialgebra's compatibility** diagrams commute:



A basic problem in algebra

There exists (in general) **no free k -bialgebra** for a given k -module [Loday]

That is, the forgetful functor

$$U_{\text{Big}} : k\text{-Big} \longrightarrow k\text{-Mod}$$


does not have a left adjoint.



A basic problem in algebra

We want to understand more conceptually what distinguishes

- the forgetful functor U_{Alg} which **has a left adjoint**
- from the forgetful functor U_{Big} which does **not have a left adjoint**.



Algebraic theories

An **algebraic theory** is a category \mathbb{L} with finite products

- objects

$$0, 1, 2, \dots$$

- categorical product provided by

$$m_1 + \dots + m_k.$$

An **\mathbb{L} -model** A in a Cartesian category $(\mathbb{C}, \times, \mathbf{1})$ is a finite-product preserving functor $A : \mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$A[m_1 + \dots + m_k] \longrightarrow A[m_1] \times \dots \times A[m_k]$$



Examples of algebraic theories

- **trivial theory**: \mathbb{L} , the **free category** with finite product generated by the category with one object

$$\text{Model}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}$$

- **theory of monoids**: \mathbb{M} , the category whose n -ary operations are the finite words (of arbitrary length) built on an alphabet $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$ of n letters

$$\text{Model}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{C}) \cong \text{Mon}(\mathbb{C})$$



Free models as Kan extensions

Any finite-product preserving morphism $f : \mathbb{L}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_2$ defines a forgetful functor by precomposition

$$U_f : \text{Model}(\mathbb{L}_2, \mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow \text{Model}(\mathbb{L}_1, \mathbb{C}).$$

When \mathbb{C} is Cartesian closed and has all small colimits (e.g. *Set*),

free model $F_f(A)$ of $A : \mathbb{L}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ along f = left Kan extension

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \mathbb{C} & \\ A \nearrow & \Rightarrow & \nwarrow F_f A \\ \mathbb{L}_1 & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{L}_2 \end{array}$$



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The analogy with the tensor algebra is striking

\Rightarrow adapt algebraic theory to **linear theory**



Linear theory : PRO

Cartesian category \longrightarrow monoidal category

finite-product preserving functor \longrightarrow monoidal functor



Examples of PROs

- **trivial PRO**: \mathbb{N} = the **free** monoidal category generated by the category with one object:

$$\text{MonCat}(\mathbb{N})(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}$$

- **PRO of monoids**: Δ = the category of **augmented simplices**

$$\text{MonCat}(\Delta)(\mathbb{C}) \cong \text{Mon}(\mathbb{C})$$



The tensor algebra

Let f be the unique monoidal functor from \mathbb{N} to Δ that sends $1 \mapsto 1$

When $\mathbb{C} = k\text{-Mod}$, the Kan extension is

$$\text{Lan}_f A \quad : \quad p \quad \mapsto \quad \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Delta(n, p) \otimes A^{\otimes n}$$

where the k -module $\Delta(n, p) \otimes A^{\otimes n}$ means the direct sum of as many copies of the k -module $A^{\otimes n}$ as there are elements in the hom-set $\Delta(n, p)$.

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Unfortunately, the Kan extension in Cat is **not always** a Kan extension in MonCat .



When is the **left Kan extension** of a monoidal functor A
along a monoidal functor f , a **monoidal** left Kan extension?



T-algebraic theory

Given a pseudomonad T on Cat , define the bicategory Cat^T

- T -algebraic category = pseudoalgebra of the pseudomonad T ,
- T -algebraic functor = pseudoalgebra pseudofunctor,
- T -algebraic natural transformation = pseudoalgebra natural transformation.

A T -algebraic theory is then a **small** T -algebraic category



Examples of T -algebraic theories

T-algebraic theories	$T\mathbb{A}$
algebraic theories	free category with finite products
linear theories	free monoidal category
symmetric theories	free symmetric monoidal category
braided theories	free braided monoidal category
projective sketches	free category with finite limits



The bicategory of distributors consists in

- Categories as 0-cells
- Functors from

$$\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}^{\text{op}} \longrightarrow \text{Set}$$

as 1-cells, noted

$$\mathbb{A} \dashrightarrow \mathbb{B}$$

- Natural transformations as 2-cells



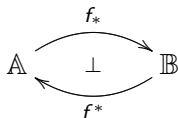
Right adjoint and Kan extension

Every functor $f : \mathbb{A} \longrightarrow \mathbb{B}$ gives rise to a distributor

$$f_* : \mathbb{A} \dashv\vdash \mathbb{B}$$

which as a right adjoint

$$f^* : \mathbb{B} \dashv\vdash \mathbb{A}$$

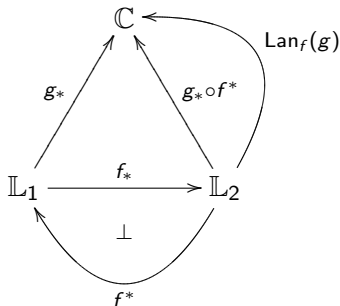


Right adjoint and Kan extension

The Kan extension of a functor f along a functor j is obtained by

- first composing g_* and f^*
- then taking the **representative** $\text{Lan}_f(g)$ of $g_* \circ f^*$

$$\text{Dist}(g_* \circ f^*, h_*) \cong \text{Cat}(\text{Lan}_f(g), h)$$



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the adjunction
 $f_* \dashv f^*$
is T -algebraic

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algebraic colimits



Main result

Hypotheses:

- $f : \mathbb{L}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_2$ is operadic,
- \mathbb{C} is algebraically cocomplete via the adjunction

$$\text{colim} : \overline{\mathbb{C}} \rightleftarrows \mathbb{C} : y$$

- for all morphism $g : \mathbb{L}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ in Cat , $g_* \circ f^*$ in Dist factorises through y^* .



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Then, the forgetful functor

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has a **left adjoint** computed by **left Kan extension** :

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Moreover, this **left Kan extension** is computed by

$$\text{Lan}_f A \quad = \quad \int^{m \in \mathbb{L}_1} \mathbb{L}_2(fm, n) \otimes A^{\otimes m}$$



Proarrow equipment [Wood]

A **proarrow equipment** is a formalisation of the homomorphism of bicategories between Cat and Dist . It consists in a homomorphism of bicategories

$$(-)_* : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$$

satisfying the three axioms:

- 1 The object of \mathcal{M} are those of \mathcal{K} and $(-)_*$ is the identity on objects.
- 2 $(-)_*$ is locally fully faithful, ie.

$$\mathcal{K}(f, g) \cong \mathcal{M}(f_*, g_*)$$

- 3 For every arrow f in \mathcal{K} , f_* has a right adjoint f^* .



Representative of \mathcal{M} in \mathcal{K}

an arrow $g : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of \mathcal{K} **represents** an arrow $f : \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of \mathcal{M}

when

$$\mathcal{M}(f, (-)_*) \cong \mathcal{K}(g, -)$$



Yoneda situation

A morphism $y : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}$ of \mathcal{K} is in a **Yoneda situation** if

- y is fully faithful :

$$y^* \circ y_* \cong \text{id}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

- y^* is pseudomonadic with respect to \mathcal{K} , ie. the functor

$$y^* \circ (-)_* : \mathcal{K}(\mathbb{A}, \overline{\mathbb{C}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{A}, \mathbb{C})$$

is fully faithful for all objects \mathbb{A} of \mathcal{K}



$\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ -cocomplete

An object \mathbb{C} of \mathcal{K} is

$\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ -cocomplete

when there is a Yoneda situation

$$y : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}$$

which as a left adjoint

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{colim} & \\ \overline{\mathbb{C}} & \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ \perp \\ \curvearrowleft \end{array} & \mathbb{C} \\ & y & \end{array}$$



Computing the representative

Take a morphism f that can be factorise as

$$\mathbb{B} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{C} = \mathbb{B} \xrightarrow{\bar{f}_*} \bar{\mathbb{C}} \xrightarrow{y^*} \mathbb{C}.$$

Then

$$\text{colim} \circ \bar{f}$$

is a representative of f .



Pseudomonad in a proarrow equipment

A pseudomonad T in a proarrow equipment $(-)_* : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ is given by

- a pseudomonad $T_{\mathcal{K}}$ on \mathcal{K}
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- a pseudo natural transformation $h : T_{\mathcal{M}} \circ (-)_* \rightarrow (-)_* \circ T_{\mathcal{K}}$ noted

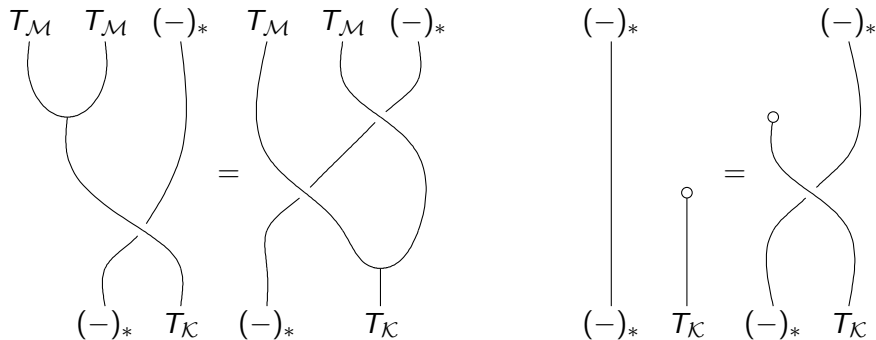
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making $((-)_*, h)$ be a map of pseudomonads from $T_{\mathcal{K}}$ to $T_{\mathcal{M}}$,

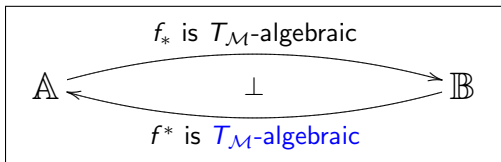


Pseudomonad in a proarrow equipment

Comes from a notion of morphism between pseudomonads introduced by Nicola Gambino.



A $T_{\mathcal{K}}$ -algebraic morphism f of \mathcal{K} is **operadic**
when its right adjoint f^* in \mathcal{M} is $T_{\mathcal{M}}$ -algebraic



Recall that f^* is always a lax $T_{\mathcal{M}}$ -algebraic morphism.



An $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ -cocomplete object \mathbb{C} of \mathcal{K} with the adjunction

$$\text{colim} : \overline{\mathbb{C}} \rightleftarrows \mathbb{C} : y$$

is algebraically $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ -cocomplete

when

colim, y and y^* are algebraic



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When the proarrow equipment is $(-)_* : \text{Cat} \rightarrow \text{Dist}$, operadicity means that

$$\int^{h \in T(\mathbb{L}_1)} \mathbb{L}_1(m, [h]) \otimes T(\mathbb{L}_2)(Tf(h), n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{L}_2(fm, [n])$$

is an isomorphism



operadicity = tree decomposition property



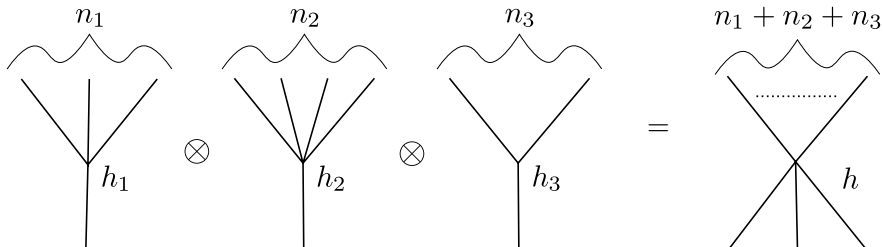
Operadicity for linear theories

When T is the pseudomonad for monoidal category, the isomorphism becomes

$$\int^{h_1 \in \mathbb{L}_1} \dots \int^{h_k \in \mathbb{L}_1} \mathbb{L}_1(h, h_1 + \dots + h_k) \times \mathbb{L}_2(h_1, n_1) \times \dots \times \mathbb{L}_2(h_k, n_k) \\ \longrightarrow \mathbb{L}_2(h, n_1 + \dots + n_k)$$



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This terminology “operadic” is justified by the fact:

Every **map of operads** f between two operads \mathbb{L}_1 and \mathbb{L}_2 (seen as monoidal categories) is **operadic**



Operadicity for algebraic theories or projective sketches

The pseudomonads for algebraic theories and projective sketches share the property that

$$\mathbb{A}(m, [p]) \cong T\mathbb{A}(\eta_{\mathbb{A}}(m), p)$$

where p is a finite diagram.

This isomorphism comes from that fact that there are as many morphisms from m to the limit of p as cones from m to p .

When T is the pseudomonad
for algebraic theories or projective sketches,
every T -algebraic functor is operadic.



Factorisation system of Cat [Street, Walters]

- **E** : the classe of **final functors**
- **M** : the classe of **discrete fibrations**

Any diagram $F : J \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ may be seen as the presheaf φ given by the decomposition

$$J \xrightarrow{F} \mathbb{C} = J \xrightarrow{F_1} \text{Elt}\varphi \xrightarrow{F_2} \mathbb{C}$$

where F_1 is a final functor and F_2 is a discrete fibration.



Algebraically cocomplete

When the proarrow equipment is $(-)_* : \text{Cat} \rightarrow \text{Dist}$,

algebraic cocompleteness = colimits under some class \mathcal{F}
commute with the T -algebraic structure



Algebraically cocomplete : linear theories

When T is the pseudo-monad for monoidal categories, one chooses a subcategory of the category of presheaves

$$\overline{\mathbb{C}} \hookrightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$$

closed under the [Day's tensor product](#)

$$\varphi_1 \otimes_{\overline{\mathbb{C}}} \varphi_2 : b \mapsto \int^{a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{C}} \mathbb{C}(b, a_1 \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} a_2) \otimes \varphi_1(a_1) \otimes \varphi_2(a_2)$$



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$$\begin{array}{ccccc} I \times J & \xrightarrow{\text{final}} & \text{Elt}\varphi \times \text{Elt}\psi & \xrightarrow{\text{final}} & \text{Elt}(\varphi \otimes \psi) \\ & \searrow^{F \times G} & \downarrow \text{discrete fibration} & & \downarrow \text{discrete fibration} \\ & & \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{\otimes} & \mathbb{C} \end{array}$$



Algebraically cocomplete : linear theories

\mathbb{C}^\bullet is the restriction of the category of presheaves to presheaves **having a colimit** in \mathbb{C}

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \xrightarrow{y} & \\ \mathbb{C} & \perp & \mathbb{C}^\bullet \\ & \xleftarrow{\text{colim}} & \end{array} \longrightarrow \widehat{\mathbb{C}}$$

$\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ is the restriction of the category of presheaves to presheaves **having an algebraic colimit** in \mathbb{C}

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Observe that $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ and $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ are equipped with \otimes_{Day} but not necessarily \mathbb{C}^\bullet .



A diagram as a colimit of diagrams

Let \mathbb{C} be a monoidal category and $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ be the restriction of the category of presheaves to presheaves having an algebraic colimit in \mathbb{C}

If every J -indexed diagram has an algebraic colimit,
then $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ is closed under J -indexed colimits.



Free monoid: the Dubuc construction

\mathbb{C} is an monoidal category with colimits for which

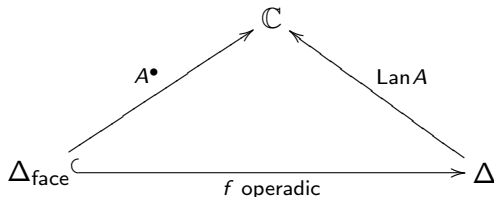
- **coequalisers** commute with the tensor product
- **sequential colimits** commute with the tensor product

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Free monoid: the Dubuc construction

- $\mathbb{L}_1 = \Delta_{\text{face}}$: the category of augmented simplices and injective maps
theory of pointed objects
- $\mathbb{L}_2 = \Delta$: the category of augmented simplices
theory of monoids



Free monoid: the Dubuc construction

In practice, we have to show that
all the diagrams defining the Kan extension in Dist
live in $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$



Free monoid: the Dubuc construction

Coequalisers commute with the tensor product in \mathbb{C} .

Thus, the presheaf φ_n associated to the diagram

$$1 \longrightarrow A \rightrightarrows A^{\otimes 2} \rightrightarrows \cdots \rightrightarrows A^{\otimes n}$$

lives in $\overline{\mathbb{C}}$ for every n .



Free monoid: the Dubuc construction

As **sequential colimits** commute with the tensor product in \mathbb{C} , the sequential colimit of the presheaves φ_n

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \longrightarrow A \rightrightarrows A^{\otimes 2} \rightrightarrows \cdots \rightrightarrows A^{\otimes n} \cdots \\ = \\ \Delta_{\text{face}} \xrightarrow{A^\bullet} \mathbb{C} \end{aligned}$$

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Free monoid: the Vallette construction

\mathbb{C} is an monoidal category with colimits for which

- reflexive coequalisers commute with the tensor product
- sequential colimits commute with the tensor product

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Free monoid: the Vallette construction

Recipe : replace the pair

$$A \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{array} A^{\otimes 2}$$

with the reflexive pair (having the same coequaliser)

$$A \oplus A^{\otimes 2} \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{f \oplus A^{\otimes 2}} \\ \xrightarrow{g \oplus A^{\otimes 2}} \end{array} A^{\otimes 2}$$

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and apply the same construction.



Free commutative monoid

\mathbb{C} is an symmetric monoidal category with colimits for which

- **coequalisers** commute with the tensor product
- **coproducts** commute with the tensor product

Then we can compute the **free commutative monoid**



Free commutative monoid

First, we coequalise the permutation on $A^{\otimes n}$

Then we take the coproduct of the coequalisers

$$TA = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A^{\otimes n} / \sim$$



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- 3 Compute the free commutative comonoid $\mathbb{1}_e A$ on this pointed object. Given by the limit of the diagram

$$1 \xleftarrow{i_2} (A \& 1) \xleftarrow[\begin{smallmatrix} i_2 \otimes \text{id}_{(A \& 1)} \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)} \otimes i_2 \end{smallmatrix}]{\text{id}_{(A \& 1)} \otimes i_2} (A \& 1)^2 \xleftarrow[\begin{smallmatrix} i_2 \otimes \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^2} \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^2} \otimes i_2 \end{smallmatrix}]{\text{id}_{(A \& 1)^2} \otimes i_2} \dots (A \& 1)^n \dots$$

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Free exponential : the recipe

By composition of adjunctions, we have computed

the free exponential on A .



Free exponential : coherent spaces

The free affine object on A is just

$$A \& 1$$

the coherent space A and extra element (which will be seen as the empty clique).



Free exponential : coherent spaces

The limit (equalizer) A_n of the diagram

$$(A \& 1)^n \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \end{array} (A \& 1)^n \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \\ \text{id}_{(A \& 1)^{n-2}} \otimes \sigma \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \\ \longleftarrow \end{array} (A \& 1)^n$$

is the usual multiclique with at most n elements of A .



Free exponential : coherent spaces

The free exponential $!_e A$ is thus given by the limit of

$$A_0 = 1 \xleftarrow{i_2} A_1 = (A \& 1) \xleftarrow{\quad} A_2 \xleftarrow{\quad} \dots A_n \dots$$

This is the usual set of **finite multicliques**.



Free exponential : Conway games

The same construction applies in game semantics,
e.g. the [category of Conway games](#).

