

# Graded Monads and Behavioural Equivalence Games

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- Graded semantics: universal coalgebra + **graded monads**  
(Milius/Pattinson/Schröder, CALCO 2015)
- **Equivalence games** in the spirit of the bisimilarity game on LTS:

Position	Player	Admissible Moves
$(x, y) \in X^2$	D	$\{Z \subseteq X^2 \mid Z \text{ a local bisimulation at } (x, y)\}$
$Z \subseteq X^2$	S	$Z = \{(x, y) \in X^2 \mid (x, y) \in Z\}$

## Main theorem

$$x \sim_{\mathcal{S}} y \iff \text{D wins the } n\text{-round } \mathcal{S}\text{-game for all } n \in \omega$$

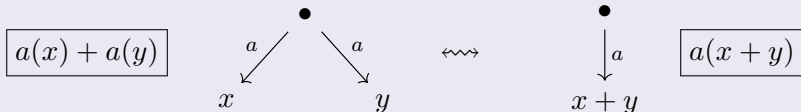
**Motto:** **graded monads** offer a uniform view on **behavioural equivalence games**

# Graded theories and graded semantics

- graded theories  $\iff$  (finitary) graded monads on  $\mathbf{Set}$ :
  - ▷ *graded signature*: algebraic signature + *depth* on operations
  - ▷ *uniform-depth equations*: pairs of terms of the same depth
- Graded semantics on coalgebras for  $G: \mathbf{Set} \rightarrow \mathbf{Set}$ :
  - ▷  $\alpha: G \rightarrow M_1$  (= depth-1 terms modulo derivable equality)
  - ▷ e.g. bisimilarity, (ready) similarity, (probabilistic) trace equivalence

## Graded theory of $\mathcal{A}$ -traces $\rightsquigarrow$ trace equivalence on $\mathcal{A}$ -LTS

- Depth-0: operations/equations of join semilattices
- Depth-1: unary *actions*  $a(-)$  satisfying  $a(x) + a(y) = a(x + y)$



# Overview of the generic $n$ -round game $\mathcal{G}_n$

$\mathcal{G}_n$  captures *precisely* depth- $n$   $\mathcal{S}$ -equivalence on

$$\gamma: X \rightarrow GX \quad \rightsquigarrow \quad \bar{\gamma} = (X \xrightarrow{\gamma} GX \xrightarrow{\alpha} M_1 X)$$

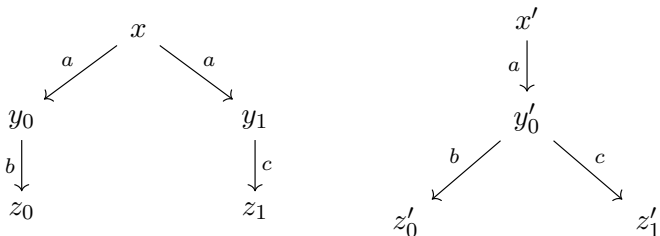
...starting from  $\eta(x) = \eta(y)$  for target states  $x, y$ :

Position	Player	Admissible Moves
$(s, t) \in (M_0 X)^2$	D	$\{Z \subseteq X^2 \mid Z \vdash_1 s\bar{\gamma} = t\bar{\gamma}\}$
$Z \subseteq (M_0 X)^2$	S	$Z = \{(s, t) \in (M_0 X)^2 \mid (s, t) \in Z\}$

Play of  $\mathcal{G}_n$ :  $(s, t) Z_1 (s_1, t_1) \dots Z_n \boxed{(s_n, t_n)}$

**Slogan:** equivalence games play out equational proofs in graded theories

$x \sim_{\text{trace}} x'$ ? Play the 2-round trace game!



- At  $(x, x')$ , D plays  $Z_1 := \{y_0 + y_1 = y'_0\}$   
admissible:  $Z_1 \vdash_1 a(y_0) + a(y_1) = a(y'_0)$ ?
- At  $Z_1$ , S plays  $(y_0 + y_1 = y'_0) \in Z_1$
- At  $(y_0 + y_1, y)$ , D plays  $Z_2 := \{z_0 = z'_0, z_1 = z'_1\}$   
admissible:  $Z_2 \vdash_1 b(z_0) + c(z_1) = b(z'_0) + c(z'_1)$ ?
- Again, S plays a challenge from  $Z_2$  inducing  $(x, x') Z_1 (y_0 + y_1, y'_0) Z_2 (z_i, z'_i)$

D wins because  $* = *$  is valid in JSL

Also available in the paper on arXiv:



- **Pre-determinization** under graded semantics  
e.g. determinization of *serial LTS* under simulation equivalence
- notion of **infinite-depth equivalence** for graded semantics  
e.g. infinite-depth (ready) trace equivalence on *serial LTS*

## Future Work

- algorithmic/complexity matters of graded semantics
- extensions beyond equivalences (e.g. preorders, distances, etc.)

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